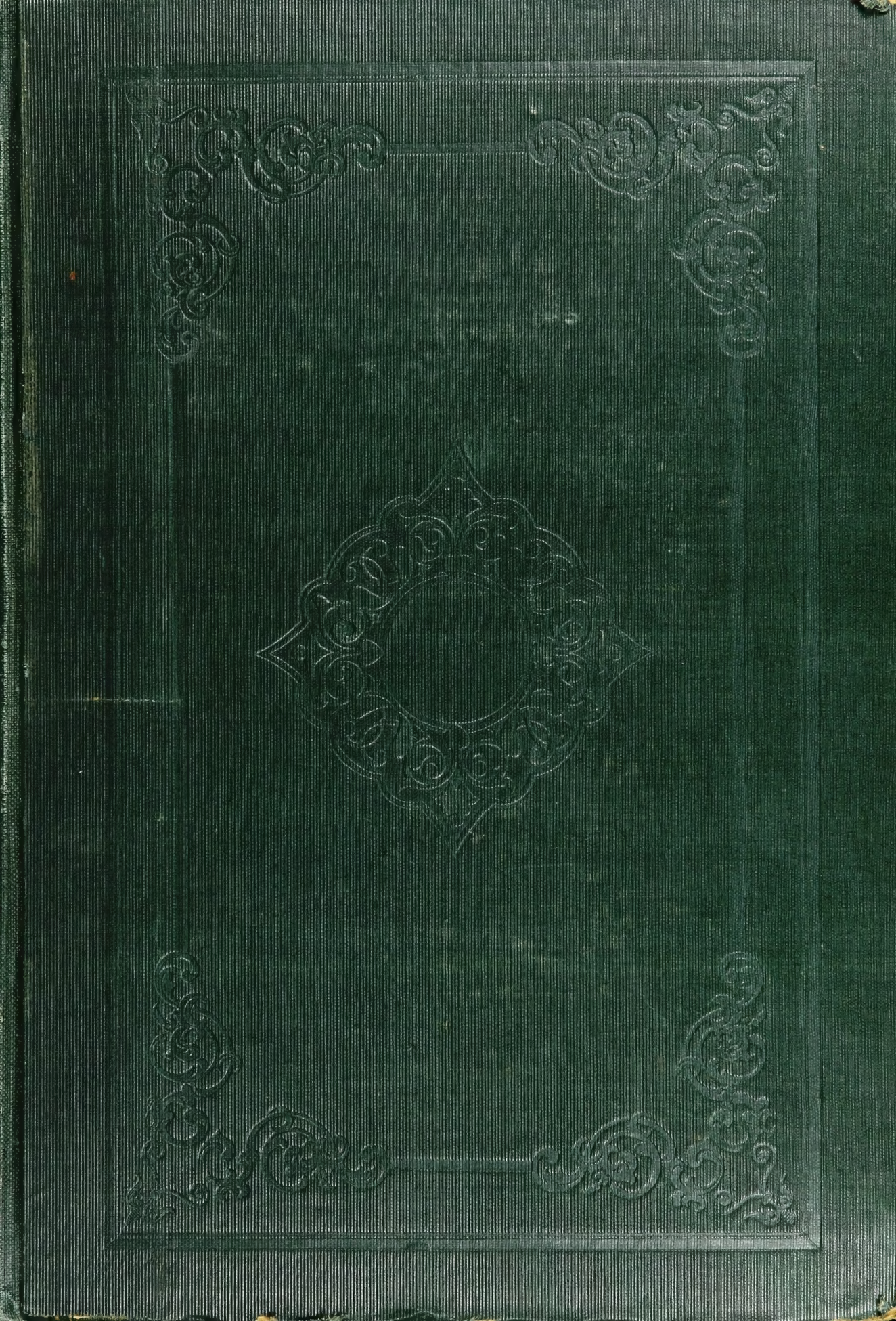

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PREFACE.

The papers calendared in the present volume show the conclusion of the fruitless warfare entered upon by Charles I. with Spain. The expenses of the expeditions to Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle, had thrown the finances of the country into the deepest embarrassment. Supplies could not be obtained from Parliament without concessions, to which the King would not submit; the proceeds of the unusual levies, to which the Government had had recourse—"lawful," as Sec. Dorchester contended, in an explanatory letter to the English Ambassadors abroad, "but extraordinary,"*—were insufficient to discharge even the arrears due for past services; and coming receipts had already been largely anticipated. Such was the want of money that present offensive operations had ceased to be possible. It was with the greatest difficulty that a few ships, not worthy to be called a fleet, could be kept afloat for the guard of the Narrow Seas; and even partial defence of the coast and the coasting trade was not accomplished, in the cases of the fishermen of the eastern coast, and the foreign trade of the ports in the west, except at the cost of the sea-towns principally benefited. Under such circumstances, the idea of peace naturally presented itself. To abandon the cause of the Palatinate was equally repugnant to both

* Vol. clxii., No. 18.

King and people; but after a little decent hesitation, Charles submitted to what he deemed a hard necessity, and the officers of the outports were warned, that however unpopular a Spanish Ambassador might be in England, it was their duty to protect him from insult.*

The treaty was rendered more palatable to the King by the character of the Ambassador who was employed in the preliminary negotiation. In a subsequent eminent instance, which will be in the recollection of every one, national humiliation was brought about by the fascination of a female emissary. Charles I. was altogether unsusceptible to such seductions. With him Art led the way instead of Beauty, and the gorgeous pencil of Rubens consecrated a peace which, to the Queen of Bohemia, seemed to be a personal desertion, and to the people of England, an abandonment of the cause of Protestantism, at the very time when, under the leadership of Gustavus Adolphus, it appeared likely to achieve success.† Elizabeth's feeling is thus cautiously expressed, in a private letter to "Honest Thom," as she was in the habit of terming Sir Thomas Roe, calendared in the present volume. "Our Ambassador,‡ is now here, and hath brought a message I looked not for, which doth not a little trouble both the King§ and me. You know I was very confident [in] my dear brother's promises; yet, though I see he hath altered his mind in

* Vol. clxii., No. 50.

† The presence of Rubens in England is but slightly noticed in the following pages; but the State Papers on the subject of his mission have been lately published in the "Original unpublished Papers illustrative of the Life of Sir Peter Paul Rubens, as an Artist and Diplomatist, preserved in H. M. State Paper Office; edited by W. Noël Sainsbury. 8vo., London, 1859."

‡ The English Ambassador Extraordinary to Holland, Sir Henry Vane.

§ Her husband.

that, I hope his good nature will not suffer him quite to abandon us, though a peace with Spain be very dangerous to us and all the public. The King of Sweden doth still prosper, which I hope God will continue. If he may have the least encouragement, you know my mind in all this." *

From the time when peace became inevitable, the place which was occupied in the collection of State Papers by details full of the stirring interest which is attendant upon naval and military expeditions, is mainly given up to legal proceedings against the restless and dissatisfied. Many valuable documents in connexion with this portion of our public history will be found in the present volume. The state prosecutions against Sir John Eliot and the other members of the House of Commons, who took the lead in opposition to the Court in the last session of Parliament, receive very important illustration. The points aimed at in these proceedings, as stated by Sec. Dorchester, in the letter to the Ambassadors before referred to, † was "to let the world see that Parliament-men must be responsible for their words and actions in other courts, and so they will be more moderate and circumspect hereafter, and the King, when he finds good, may meet his people with so much the more assurance that they will never transgress in the point of due respect and obedience." Another series of cases here treated of, and of scarcely less public importance, are the prosecutions against the merchants, who, in obedience to a resolution of the House of Commons, refused to pay tonnage and poundage. Another curious case is that against the Earl of Bedford, Sir Robert Cotton, and others, for circulating from hand to hand, among themselves, a copy of a manuscript tract, said to have been derived from Sir Robert Cotton's library, which professed to

* Vol. clxxii., No. 48.

† Vol. clxii., No. 18.

teach the King how he might bridle the impertinence of his Parliament by measures of undisguised absolutism. The case of ALEXANDER LEIGHTON, in the Star Chamber, for a libel upon the Bishops, and many cases in the High Commission Court, or personally before Bishop Laud, for the repression of non-conformity in doctrine or practice, constitute another important branch of the contents of this volume.

Among legal proceedings may be classed a case of considerable interest, from the subsequent fortunes of the remarkable man to whom it relates. One of the measures which were had recourse to, for the repression of popular feeling, was the alteration, whenever possible, of the municipal constitution of parliamentary boroughs. Instead of a governing body of bailiffs and burgesses, or town council, elected annually by the residents, the change now introduced vested the municipal government in a mayor, aldermen, and recorder, all elected for life. This change, of course utterly destructive of popular self-government, had recently been effected in the borough of Huntingdon, mainly by the exertions of Mr. Robert Barnard, a practising barrister who resided in that town, held the office of feodary for the county, and had lately acquired an estate at Brampton, in the immediate neighbourhood. He was supported, we may well believe, by all the old influence of Sir Oliver Cromwell, son of the Golden Knight, who, until very lately, had possessed Hinchinbrook, and not less so, by that of the new made Earl of Manchester, the Lord Privy Seal, who had succeeded the splendid but unthrifty Sir Oliver in the possession of his princely seat. But this abandonment of popular rights in Huntingdon had not been effected without much contention, and the adverse party was headed by no less a person than "MR. OLIVER CROMWELL," nephew of Sir Oliver, who had been born and bred in the town, had

resided there up to that time, and had been one of its representatives in the last Parliament.

The reception given by a part of the people of Huntingdon to the new charter and the officers whom it created was anything but cordial. Strong expressions were hurled by Oliver Cromwell against Mr. Lionel Walden the new mayor, and Mr. Barnard who had been elected recorder, and ultimately the Council was appealed to on behalf of the new made dignities. Ever anxious to support constituted authorities, the Council gave a ready ear to the complaint, and despatched a messenger to Huntingdon, with a warrant for the apprehension of "Oliver Cromwell, Esq.," and another person described as "William Kilborne, gent." The warrant was duly executed, and on the 26th November 1630, Oliver Cromwell made his appearance in custody before the Lords of the Council. His presence was entered on the Council Register, and he was remanded to the custody of the messenger.

After five days detention the case was gone into. "Both sides," in the words of the entry on the Council Register, "had a long hearing." There was "much contrariety and difference" in the allegations of the adverse parties, and ultimately the Council got rid of the troublesome matter by referring it to—of all persons in the world—the Earl of Manchester, the owner of Hinchinbrook.

Here, up to the present moment, our information upon this subject has come to an end.* What were the proceedings of the Earl of Manchester, or his recommendations; what award he made between his contending neighbours, and probably tenants; how far he inculpated

* The facts before mentioned were published for the first time in a communication to the "Athenæum," printed in the number of that journal for 13th October 1855.

or excused the rough energetic man whose participation in this incident gives it almost all its interest, has been hitherto unknown. One of the papers calendared in the present volume gives the sequel of the story. It is the report or award of the Earl of Manchester, and tells us far more of the matter than we knew before. It explains what were some of the fears or grievances of the people, and what the uncourtly conduct of their fiery advocate, whilst it exhibits also the ease with which his hot temper was appeased, and the willingness with which his hand was extended to one whom he had recently opposed with might and main. The paper runs as follows:—

"Whereas it pleased your Lordships to refer unto me the differences in the town of Huntingdon, about the renovation of their charter, and some wrongs done to Mr. Mayor of Huntingdon, and Mr. Barnard, a counsellor-at-law, by disgraceful and unseemly speeches, used of them by Mr. Cromwell, of Huntingdon, as also the considerations [*sic*] of divers abuses and oppressions complained of against one Kilborne, post-master of Huntingdon, and Brookes, his man; I have heard the said differences, and do find those supposed fears of prejudice that might be to the said town, by their late altered charter, from bailiffs and burgesses to mayor and aldermen, are causeless and ill-grounded, and the endeavour used to gain many of the burgesses against this new corporation was very indirect and unfit, and such as I could not but much blame them that stirred in it. For Mr. Barnard's carriage of the business in advising and obtaining the said charter, it was fair and orderly done, being authorized by common consent of the town to do the same, and the thing effected by him tends much to the good and grace of the town.

"Some doubts were propounded, especially three:—As that the mayor and aldermen might now alter the rate of their cattle in the commons; secondly, that the mayor and aldermen alone, without the burgesses, might dispose of the inheritances of their town lands: thirdly, that it was in the power of the mayor and aldermen to fine men that might be poor at 20*l.* for refusing to be aldermen. These things, though they cannot be warranted by the new charter, yet, to satisfy fears, I have directed that there shall be amongst their constitutions for the good government of the

town three constitutions made to these purposes. First, that the number of men's cattle of all sorts which they now keep, according to order and usage, upon their commons, shall not be abridged or altered, but to common as they have anciently done, both for number and kind. Secondly, for disposing the inheritance of any their lands; no inheritance of houses or lands to be disposed of but by consent of the burgesses, as hath anciently been used and accustomed. Thirdly, for the fining of refusers to be mayor or aldermen; the fine of him that refuses to be mayor not to exceed 20 marks, the fine of him that refuses to be alderman not to exceed 20 nobles, if he be a burgess resident that is chosen.

"For the words spoken of Mr. Mayor and Mr. Barnard by Mr. Cromwell, as they were ill, so they are acknowledged to be spoken in heat and passion, and desired to be forgotten; and I found Mr. Cromwell very willing to hold friendship with Mr. Barnard, who, with a good will, remitting the unkind passages past, entertained the same. So I left all parties reconciled, and wished them to join hereafter in things that may be for the common good and peace of the town.

"For the particulars concerning Kilborne and Brookes, his man, for their oppressing the country by colour of his office as postmaster,* though some particulars were affirmed by two or three, yet because it so much concerneth the country in general, and the abuse so great, if it prove true that is affirmed, I have thought best to write my letters to some justices of peace of the county, to make precise inquisition, and certify me how this office of postmaster is used for the service of the King, and how abused to the injury of the country, and of all other points contained in the petition exhibited.

"H. MANCHESTER." †

"December 6th, 1630."

The conclusion of this little history may be shortly stated. Within a few months after the Earl's award, Cromwell sold his property at Huntingdon and removed to St. Ives, with such feelings towards the constituted authorities as would

* There does not appear to have been any connexion between the complaints against Cromwell and Kilborne, except that they were made at the same time.

† Vol. clxxvi., No. 34.

be engendered in such a mind by his arrest under a warrant addressed to a King's messenger, by his imprisonment and the payment of his fees, and by the consciousness that, under the new municipal constitution of Huntingdon, there was little probability that, when another Parliament should be called, he would again be returned as a representative for his native town. Of Mr. Barnard it may be noted that he received during the civil war two very peremptory letters from his old opponent, which are printed by Mr. Carlyle; that he lived to see the man whom he had contended with before the Council at the height of his power; and to receive the degree of serjeant at law, and finally, on the 1st July 1662, a baronetcy, from the restored Sovereign. Sir Richard Barnard's eldest son, and successor in the baronetcy, became a connexion of Oliver Cromwell, by marrying a daughter of the celebrated Oliver St. John.

Whilst the name of Cromwell is before us it may be mentioned, although the document is not comprised in the present volume, that in the Domestic series of papers in the State Paper Office, under the date of 28th April 1631, there occurs a letter which presents another fact hitherto unnoticed in the biography of the same memorable man.

Among the measures "lawful, but extraordinary" which were had recourse to at this time for raising money, one was that of enforcing the payment of a composition from all persons who, having 40*l.* per annum in freehold lands, did not attend at the coronation to receive the degree of knighthood. The levy of this composition was turned over to Commissioners whose head quarters were in London. But persons resident at a distance from the metropolis were inclined to disregard the monitions of a body of Commissioners with whom they never came into personal contact. To stimulate their activity commissions were issued into

all the counties of England.* The principal gentry were appointed Commissioners, and the ordinary county machinery was put in motion, both to ascertain who possessed 40*l.* per annum in land, and to bring such persons before the Commissioners. It appears, from the paper to which allusion has already been made, that the Cromwells of the county of Huntingdon were not forgotten on this occasion. Henry Cromwell, senior, of Upwood, son of the Golden Knight, and uncle of the future Protector, attended the Commissioners in London and entered into a composition with them, taking back into the country the tally of his payment into the Exchequer, which he subsequently exhibited to the local Commissioners as his discharge. Henry Cromwell, junior, of Ramsey, son of Sir Philip Cromwell, and a cousin of the Protector, compounded with the local Commissioners at the sum of 10*l.* The third person of the family whose name occurs in these papers is "Oliver Cromwell of Huntingdon." Equally disregarding the London and the local Commissioners, Cromwell was returned with various other persons of his own county to the Council as a defaulter. Two measures were taken by the Government almost contemporaneously against these Huntingdonshire defaulters. Writs were sent to the Sheriff of the county for summoning 33 or 35 † of them to appear in the Court of Exchequer, in the succeeding Easter term, to answer for their default. At the same time a fresh commission was addressed to the former local Commissioners, and whilst the terror of the Exchequer summons was still recent and its penalties were hanging over the defaulters, they were again summoned to appear at Huntingdon. The Commissioners enlarged to them upon his Majesty's grace and favour in renewing the commission

* Proc., 6th July 1630, p. 302.

† Thirty-five are mentioned, but only 33 are accounted for.

once more for their ease and benefit, and also upon the inconvenience which would ensue to them if they were left to the law. Meetings were held by the Commissioners at Huntingdon on the 20th and 28th April 1631, and finally, 11 of the defaulters are reported as not having appeared at all, 15 as having appeared and made excuses, principally that they had not an estate in freehold of the required value, and seven others as having paid their composition money to the Commissioners. Among them, at the head of the list, stands "Oliver Cromwell of Huntingdon, Esq., 10*l.*" The name stands as I have remarked, at the head of the list, but it does so with a peculiarity. It is obvious that it did not form part of the list as it was originally framed and added up. The intention was to have returned the list without it. It was clearly added afterwards, and was apparently inserted at the top of the list because in that place there was the largest vacant space, where it could be most easily written in. Does this indicate a yielding at the last moment to the friendly persuasions of his aged uncle and godfather Sir Oliver Cromwell, who was the chief Commissioner present at both the final sittings? Or did the uncle, as has been suggested, shield the unyielding nephew, by paying the amount, and directing the insertion of his name? The other Commissioners were the Earl of Manchester, who was not present, Sir Sydney Montague, brother of the Earl, Robert Bevill, probably the eldest son of the K.B. of that name, and Robert Osberne. The sums paid for composition money varied, it may be remarked, from 10*l.* to 20*l.*, the former being the lowest sum paid by any one.

It is from similar incidental notices of celebrated persons, to be picked out with studious care from the great mass of papers here brought before the reader, that much of the information contained in them is to be gleaned. The Compiler of the Calendar has done what he could to bring prominently

forward all the information that he deems important, but they who know the most of the actions or persons of any particular period are painfully aware that, even in relation to that period, no one's knowledge is sufficiently extensive or sufficiently minute to embrace all objects of research. Inquirers must be encouraged, therefore, to search for themselves. It is frequently by the light which is thrown upon these papers from a searcher's own mind that their great value is made apparent.

In the preface to our last volume, some remarks were made on the troubles of Alexander Gill, schoolmaster of St. Paul's, and a friend of Milton from his boyhood. In a youthful frolic in a college cellar, and under the influence of college ale, Gill uttered some audacious speeches which, but for their folly, would have been treasonable. Wonder-struck at his daring sauciness, his hearers heard the silly fellow with contemptuous laughter; all but Chillingworth, who drew wide inferences from the words spoken, and forgot that they were really the utterances of excitement and folly. Chillingworth communicated the facts to Bishop Laud, who saw nothing in them but awful treason. The young man's rifled pockets, and those of his college companions, furnished matter sufficient not only to condemn him, but also to implicate one of his friends named Grinkin. The terrors of the Star Chamber were invoked against them both. All that we have hitherto known of the result has been derived from the tittle-tattle of a news-writer.* The sentence was one of degradation, fine, pillory, imprisonment, and all the then customary excess of judicial vengeance in political cases, but the particulars have not been known with any certainty as to

* Mead to Stuteville. Court and Times of Charles I., Vol. i., p. 431.

Gill, and scarcely at all as to Grinkin. The superabundance of these vindictive sentences rendered it almost impossible to carry them out. The resolute generally escaped some portion of the intended infliction, but in the case of a weak, cowardly spirit, such terrifying denunciations crushed the wretch who was the subject of them, and drove him to sue for mercy with the abject submissiveness of terror. Gill had several powerful intercessors. His aged father, the influential Earl of Dorset, and even Laud's feeling in favour of the immunities of the clerical order, were all enlisted in his behalf. It appears, by a letter from the King to Attorney General Heath, calendared in the present volume,* that before the writing of that letter, directions had been given to prepare a pardon for Grinkin, but, "forasmuch," the letter proceeds, "as we are graciously inclined to extend our mercy to them both, their cases not much differing," the Attorney General is directed to prepare a pardon for them both. This was on the 18th October 1630. On the 30th November following (p. 393), we find the sign manual for the pardon, which has peculiar value, as setting forth authoritatively the actual sentence of the Star Chamber. Gill was committed to the Fleet during the King's pleasure, and was to pay a fine of 3,000*l.* If at any time he were released, he was to be bound for good behaviour during the remainder of his life. He was remitted to the High Commission for degradation from the ministry, and to the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford for similar deprival of his academical degrees; after which he was to stand in the pillory one day at Westminster, with a paper on his head indicative of his offence, one of his ears being fixed to the pillory and there cut off; on another day he was to stand in the pillory in a

* Vol. clxxiv., No. 55.

similar manner at Oxford, and there to lose his other ear. From Oxford he was to be remanded to the Fleet. Grinkin was in like manner committed to the Fleet during pleasure, and fined 1,000*l.* He was also, at a time and in a manner to be fixed by the Court, to make a humble confession of his offence, and, if ever released from prison, was to find a surety for his good behaviour for life.* Of these sentences,

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* The following is an abstract of the pardon :—"CAROLUS R. Rex omnibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Cum in curia Cameræ Stellatæ nostræ, coram consilio nostro ibidem, (videlicet,) septimo die Novembris, anno regni nostri quarto, super informationem per Attornatum nostrum Generalem versus ALEXANDRUM GILL, sacræ Theologiæ Baccalaureum, et WILLIELMUM GRINKIN, in artibus magistrum, de Universitate Oxoniæ, verbi divini prædicatores, pro diversis indignis et scandalosis verborum prolationibus ac litterarum et libellis scripturis ac publicatione earumdem contra nos et Dominos de Privato Consilio nostro, ac aliis criminibus et offensis in eadem informatione mentionatis, ac super plenum auditum materiarum et causarum prædictarum, et deliberationem inde habitam, per curiam prædictam ordinatum, adjudicatum, et decretum fuit, quod prædictus Alexander Gill, pro maximo offensu suo libellandi contra nos et statum regni nostri, committeretur prisonæ de le Fleete durante beneplacito nostro, ac solveret finem trium millium librarum ad usum nostrum; quodque si aliquo tempore tunc deinceps dictum Alexandrum Gill deliberare graciose dignaremur obligaretur pro bono gestu suo durante vita sua, necnon ordinatum et decretum fuit per curiam ibidem, quod dictus Alexander Gill mandaretur summæ curiæ nostræ pro causis ecclesiasticis de ministerio suo degradandus, necnon Vice-Cancellario et aliis gubernatoribus prædictæ Universitatis Oxoniæ de separalibus gradibus suis ibidem obtentis degradandus (dicto Alexandro per censuram curiæ prædictæ personam indignam eos gradus diutius tenere ut professionis suæ maculatorem adjudicato) ; quodque post hujusmodi degradationem suam tam de ministerio quam de gradibus suis poneretur uno die super pilloriam apud Westmonasterium, cum papyro super caput suum inscripto crimen suum manifestante, ac una aurium suarum eidem fixa execaretur, ac postea (ut alii ejus exemplo caverent) super pilloriam in aliquo loco publico infra civitatem Oxoniæ etiam poneretur, cum simili papyro super caput suum inscripto crimen suum declarante ac altera aurium suarum pilloriæ ibidem fixa execaretur, et exinde remanderetur prisonæ de le Fleete, ibidem remansurum durante beneplacito nostro. Et quod prædictus Willielmus Grinkin (quem curia prædicta tunc delinquentem permagnum,

the pillory and the fines were escaped, the degradations and imprisonment for about two years, were the only parts that were carried into execution.

Gill had enjoyed his pardon about two years, when, with his accustomed folly, he attacked Ben Jonson on the failure of his play of the Magnetic Lady. The memory of the great poet's former efforts ought to have restrained a bitter pen, but restraint was the last thing that Gill ever dreamt of. In Jonson's scornful reply, he alluded to Gill's pardon

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licet prædicto Alexandro Gill non æqualem invenerint) committeretur prisonæ de le Fleete durante beneplacito nostro, ac finem millium librarum ad usum nostrum solveret, et aliquo tempore per curiam limitando humilem confessionem criminis sui ibidem faceret, tali modo prout dictæ curiæ melius videretur expedire; quodque si aliquo tempore tunc deinceps ipsum Willielmum liberare graciose dignaremur, ordinatum et decretum fuit quod prædictus Willielmus Grinkin cum sufficiente manucaptore pro bono gestu suo durante vita sua teneretur, prout per ordinem et decretum prædictum (inter alia in eodem mentionata) plenius liquet et apparet. Sciatis tamen quod nos pro diversis bonis causis, &c., necnon pietate moti, de gratia nostra, &c., pardonavimus, &c., ac per præsentes, &c., pardonamus Alexandro Gill et Willielmo Grinkin, quibuscunque nominibus, &c., sententiam, &c.; necnon prædictas separales fines, &c. Necnon omnes, &c., scandalosas, &c., defamationes, &c., ac omnia alia crimina, &c., in decreto, &c., contenta, &c., licet iidem Alexander Gill et Willielmus Grinkin de præmissis, &c., indictati, &c., existunt vel non existunt aut eorum, &c., necnon omnia et singula indictamenta, &c., publicas pœnitentias, pœnas corporales, imprisonamenta, punitiones, degradationes ac omnes alias pœnas, &c., ratione præmissorum, &c., vel versus prædictum Alexandrum Gill et Willielmum Grinkin, seu in eorum alterum, tam in prædicta curia Cameræ Stellatæ, quam in aliquo foro ecclesiastico, aut aliqua curia Christianitatis, sive coram aliquo judice ecclesiastico, sive quibuscunque Commissionariis ecclesiasticis, seu alibi antehac habitas, factas, redditas, sive adjudicatas, aut imposterum habendas, fiendas, reddendas, sive adjudicandas de et pro præmissis seu eorum aliquo, ac omnes et singulas sectas, &c.; et firmam pacem nostram eis, et eorum alteri, inde damus et concedimus per præsentes, nolentes quod iidem Alexander Gill et Willielmus Grinkin per judices, &c., molestentur, &c. Et ulterius, &c., firmiter præcipimus omnibus et singulis judicibus, &c. quod hæc præsens pardonatio per generalia verba, &c., construetur, &c., in beneficentissimo sensu, &c. In cujus rei, &c. Teste, &c."

in terms which would have been overwhelming, if Gill's punishment had been just:—

> "Shall the prosperity of a pardon still
> Secure thy railing rhymes, infamous Gill,
> At libelling? Shall no Star Chamber peers,
> Pillory, nor whip, nor cart, nor want of ears,—
> All which thou hast incurred deservedly,—
> No degradation from the ministry,
> To be the Denis of thy father's school,
> Keep in thy bawling wit?" *

Recent disclosures seem at the present time to make the character of Ben Jonson to hang, as it were, in the balance. Every atom of information respecting him is, therefore, of moment, and it may be worth noting that the present volume contains a notice of the first quarterly payment of his annuity of 100*l.*, kindly granted to him by Charles I., in lieu of his father's gift of 100 marks †, and a contemporary copy of Carew's poem addressed to Jonson, in reply to his "Come, quit the loathéd stage." ‡ This copy exhibits several important variations from the text printed in Carew's Poems.§

Of Thomas Randolph, another poet, who addressed Jonson on the same occasion, we catch a glimpse just at the outset of his brilliant but brief career. The wit which attracted Jonson shone as conspicuously at Cambridge as at the Mermaid. He was in his 24th year when Bishop Mawe, the Master of Trinity, thus writes of him to Lord Holland, the Chancellor of the University:—

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* Gifford's Ben Jonson, vi., 127.

† Vol. clxx., No. 43.

‡ Vol. clv., No. 79.

§ Ex. gr., l. 4, for, "it can *not* judge nor write," read, "it can *nor* judge, nor write;" l. 13., "This hath the stronger wing, *or* that doth shine," for "or," read "and;" l. 16., for "or *else* hath dar'd," read, "or *who* hath dar'd;" l. 21, for "though one hand *form* them," read, "though one hand *shape* them;" with others.

"Before I leave that place* I humbly crave leave to move one suit more unto you. As I have had a care to set the College out of debt, so I have had desire to furnish it with the best and choicest wits, amongst whom I presume to commend this bearer, Thomas Randolph, a Bachelor of Arts, as one of those extraordinary parts of wit and learning, and so approved by the whole University, that scarce an age doth bring forth a better or the like. If he had been capable of a fellowship, by reason of his degree, at the last election, I had certainly provided for him then in the first place; but being not a Bachelor of Arts at that time, and fearing to have him left to future uncertainties and so the University and College deprived of one that may prove so singular an ornament to both, I humbly desire your Lordship to procure for him his Majesty's mandatory letter for his admission into a place which shall be void next after them that are now elected. He hath no friends to solicit for him but my Lord Bishop of Lincoln, under whom he was bred at Westminster, and myself, under whom he hath lived now these four years in Trinity College. I understand my Lord of Lincoln hath already begun to move your Lordship to this purpose in his behalf, and I pray give me leave to join my best wishes and desires for the effecting and perfecting of it. So shall your Honor cherish a toward wit, add a light to a flourishing College, and do an acceptable act to the whole University, and for myself, who seek nothing herein but the gaining of an ornament to the College, you shall ever bind me (which already you have done) to be your Honor's true and faithful servant." †

The accounts of Randolph's college life given by his biographers are scarcely consistent with the preceding letter, but they state that he obtained the desired fellowship. His genius, however, led him to London, and its excitements hurried him to an early doom. He died in 1634.

Herrick, another contemporary poetical genius, and author of some of our sweetest lyrical poems, appears in this volume as having been chaplain to the Duke of Buckingham in the Isle of Rhé, a character in which he has not been known to his biographers.‡

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* The Mastership of Trinity College, Cambridge.

† Vol. cxlviii., No. 41.

‡ Vol. clxxiii., No. 93.

One letter of Bishop Corbet has stamped upon it the true mint-mark of the witty Dean. The conclusion is noticeable. What was the particular mode in which he designed to make apparent his gratitude to Sec. Dorchester?

"My honoured Lord,—I have now a suit on foot which needs a patron near to his Majesty in place, and not far distant from myself in love. In the first I am not mistaken in writing to your Lordship, and in the other not disheartened, but have many reasons to encourage me.

"Sir, the Bishop of Oxford hath been twice an humble suitor to his Majesty for release of his first-fruits, and is not yet so gracious as all his predecessors, all preceding kings having granted so much favor to all preceding bishops of that see. The reasons are the same as ever they were for the continuance of the like grace, only that mine are stronger, because my fortunes are weaker (having less in my commendam than ever any bishop had), and the Act of Parliament is the same as it was at first, exempting universities and all ecclesiastical livings within the verge from any such payment. It stands of force for the dean and canons of Christ Church. It is yet so charitable to all the vicars in the town. The bishopric of Oxford is no less founded in Christ Church than the deanery, and hath more need of that privilege than the poorest vicar in the town.

"My noble Lord, I humbly beseech you to move his Majesty once more in my behalf, that I may not complain as that old Roman did, *Duas res diversissimas conjunxi, invidiam et egestatem;* the envy of a bishop and the wants of a poor curate. If your Lordship shall effect this for me (which I had rather receive from his Majesty out of favor than equity, and lay aside all reason or precedent that makes for me), though the conscience of so good a deed would pay you liberally, yet your Lordship shall see that I shall find a truer way of gratitude than by truly subscribing myself your Lordship's poor friend and servant,

"Rich. Oxon."*

Notices of other literary persons are not unfrequent. Herbert Thorndike appears as the travelling companion

* Vol. cl., No. 80.

and tutor of the eldest son of Lord Treasurer Weston,* a connexion which may explain his subsequent preferment and his ejection during the puritan ascendancy from the mastership of Sidney Sussex College. There are letters of Du Moulin, Biondi, Vossius, and a curious notice of Gervase Markham. In August 1629 he was described as a "weak bed-rid gentleman, not able to take any journey." Papistry had been imputed to him, and the question arose whether on that account he should be deprived of his arms. It is satisfactorily shown that he was a communicant in the Church of England, and for his own part he protested "that he was no more a papist than an atheist or cannibal." Can this weak bed-rid man be the person who is said to have assumed his armour in the Civil War on the part of the King.

Many others of the persons whose works constitute our literature, and their lives its history, will be found referred to throughout the volume. The few now named are selected merely as examples to stimulate inquiry. Equally numerous are papers of importance referring to persons of other classes.

One of the problems of our legal history has been the disgrace of Lord Chief Baron Walter. A servant of the King before his accession, and intimately connected with the administration of the revenues derived from the Principality of Wales and the Duchy of Cornwall, Sir John Walter was deemed a favourite, or rather a personal friend, of King Charles, and was selected for legal promotion immediately upon his accession to the throne. After a short period he was suddenly dismissed, or rather commanded by the King no longer to execute the functions of his office. Why was this? The most diligent and accurate of our legal biographers† could obtain no precise information upon

* 1629, Sept. 30, p. 68.

† Foss's Lives of the Judges, vi. 372.

the point, and even among the Chief Baron's descendants it would seem that all tradition upon the subject has died out. The papers before us show the manner of his dismission and its formal or assigned cause. The Lord Chief Baron had in the summer of 1629 gone the Western Circuit. It was usual in those days for the Government to give directions to the judges to enforce on their circuits, in their charges to grand juries, or otherwise as might seem expedient, any particular subject or measure which the Government was desirous to have attended to. On the present occasion "the business of arms" had been commended to the care of the judges, which probably meant that they should announce and enforce the propriety of a meditated appointment, by Royal Commission, of certain persons to survey and maintain in order the arms kept in every county for the use of its trained bands. Information seems to have reached the ears of the King that the Lord Chief Baron had been slack in the performance of what was required of him on this point. His Majesty deemed his conduct so reprehensible that he directed the Lord Keeper to suggest to the erring functionary that he should resign. The result appears in the following letter :—

"May it please your most excellent Majesty, According to your commandment I have this evening spoken with the Lord Chief Baron of your Exchequer, and propounded to him that he should become a petitioner to your Majesty to be disburthened of that place. I found him much troubled with the sense of your displeasure towards him, protesting that it afflicted him more than the loss of any place could do. But to the particular propounded he could not so suddenly answer it, depending not only upon the leaving of the place, but on the manner thereof, and upon what ground to petition your Majesty. But he promised to consider of it, and to return me his answer, which I required to be speedy, and I will present the same to your Majesty as soon as I shall receive it. I did of myself, and not as from your Majesty, ask him how he carried the business of arms in his circuit. His answer was that in all places of the circuit he had conference with the gentle-

men about it, and did put it forward by such ways as he found most expedient; and in Somersetshire and Cornwall, where only he found some doubt of opposition, he gave it publicly in charge. This is the sum of that which I received from him, whereof, according to my duty, I held it fit to give you a present account, as also that this afternoon I have had with me all the rest of the judges about settling the government of the Inns of Court, in which I find them forward, and do not doubt but they will satisfy your Majesty's expectation therein. And so I humbly rest,

"Your Majesty's most bounden servant,

"THOMAS COVENTRY, C. S."*

"Durham House,

"12 October 1629."

This report was not satisfactory to the King. The Lord Keeper had been more sensitive and considerate towards his legal brother than his Majesty deemed appropriate, and Sec. Dorchester, by the King's command, immediately admonished the Lord Keeper that it was the King's pleasure that he "should speak more plainly and clearly" to the Lord Chief Baron, and understand his purpose whether he would "submit himself to his Majesty, or stand to his trial; in which case his Majesty's resolution is to call him to it." The letter concludes, "And this his Majesty's requiring your Lordship to make known unto him, and to understand thereupon his categorical answer [being stated], there rests no more than that your Lordship please to govern yourself accordingly, and that you make known with the soonest to his Majesty my Lord Chief Baron's purpose." †

The Lord Keeper, thus tutored, hastened to obey the royal mandate, and reported to Sec. Dorchester that all that his letter required had been performed "to the full." "In the end," he stated, he had pressed upon the Lord Chief Baron the required "categorical answer," and, to

* Vol. cl., No. 47.

† Vol. cl., No. 52.

avoid mistake, had required that it should be in writing. The result appeared in an inclosed paper, from the contents of which his Majesty would "perceive upon what resolutions the Lord Chief Baron standeth."* The paper, wholly written by the Lord Chief Baron, runs as follows: —

"Being required by the Lord Keeper to make a categorical answer whether I will submit myself to his Majesty or stand to my trial, my humble answer is, that I trust his Majesty will hold it sufficient for me, to show my obedience and humility, to submit myself to whatsoever his Majesty shall do concerning me. But I desire to be pardoned for making a surrender of my patent, for that were to punish myself. I do with confidence stand upon my innocency and faithful service to his Majesty, and thereof will abide any trial. Nevertheless, I humbly beseech his Majesty's gracious favour towards me, and that he will turn his heavy displeasure from me.

"JO. WALTER."*

Within a few days the Lord Chief Baron was suspended from the exercise of his functions by royal command. He abstained from taking his seat, but remained Lord Chief Baron until his death, which occurred on the 18th November, in the following year. Sir John Walter is remembered, both in his profession and in our history, for a saying which seems to point to his possession of some of those qualities which were not unlikely to bring him into trouble at Court. When a brief was sent to him against Sir Edward Coke, he instantly declined it. "Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth," was his exclamation, "when I open it against Sir Edward Coke!"

The King's personal attention to public business, and the watchful care which at this time he exercised over the movements of professional and official persons, is exemplified in a

* Vol. cl., No. 58. † Vol. cl., No. 58 I.

letter in the present volume, which contains an important allusion to Sir EDWARD COKE. Dorchester was at this time, 24th January 1631, unwell, and therefore not in attendance upon the King, who was at Newmarket. The Earl of Holland was occasionally employed to convey the King's commands by letter to the absent Secretary, and in one of the letters written by him in that character, he thus expresses himself:—

"I am commanded by his Majesty to tell you that you must send to my Lord Keeper about a book that Sir Edward Coke is setting forth, in the which the King fears somewhat may be to the prejudice of his prerogative, for he is held too great an oracle amongst the people, and they may be misled by anything that carries such an authority as all things doth that he either speaks or writes, for the prevention of which the King thinks it fit it should not come forth. His Majesty hears that Sir Edward Coke, though he be in no present danger, yet, they say, through a late indisposition he is not likely to last long. He would have you choose some person that you may trust to inquire after his health, and, if he be in any present danger, that care may be taken to seal up his study, if he dies, where such papers are as use may be made of them (having passed through so many great places in the State), for his Majesty's service, and some suppressed that may disserve him. His Majesty is resolved likewise that the papers and despatches that my Lord Conway hath left should be recovered, but he leaves the manner of it to your Lordship, to do it in what fair form or way you please, but have them he will; they are his own words." *

The information which Dorchester obtained respecting Sir Edward Coke convinced him that, although the great lawyer was, in his own words, afflicted with a disease which "all the drugs of Asia, the gold of Africa, the silver of America, nor all the doctors of Europe could cure—old age," † there was no immediate expectation of his death. The King's

* Vol. clxxxiii., No. 18.

† Court and Times of Charles I., ii., 93.

purpose remained therefore at this time unexecuted. But it was not forgotten. In September 1634 the inevitable hour approached, and the Council, within a few hours of Coke's death, granted a warrant to Sir Francis Windebank to take possession of all his papers. The authority was executed in the very spirit of the above letter. His house, probably even his very dying chamber, was entered, and his last will and above fifty manuscript volumes, with his title deeds, and a multitude of private papers of every kind, were carried off. Among the articles taken away was a trunk locked, which Windebank did not think himself authorized to break open. The King directed it to be sent to him, and himself opened it. Besides marriage settlements, it contained a few articles of jewellery, relics perhaps of her whom he termed his "first and best wife," some old gold and silver coins, and among a variety of private papers "one paper of poetry to his children." All the papers seized were retained for many years. Upon a motion made respecting them by one of Coke's sons in the Long Parliament, the King directed them to be given up. "Such as could be found" were delivered, but his will and many others were never recovered. A copy of Littleton's Tenures which Coke used to call his Vade Mecum, and in which he inserted a variety of autobiographical and genealogical memoranda, which was one of the books seized, is now in the British Museum.*

What Dorchester did with reference to Lord Conway's official papers does not appear. They were not recovered at that time, but it is worthy of remark, that a large portion of them was ultimately, in the year 1858, restored to the Crown in the way mentioned in the preface to the first volume of this series of Calendars of Charles I., and is now preserved in the State Paper Office.

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* Harl. MS. 6687; and see Collect. Topog. and Genealog., vi., 108.

The whole volume might be gone through in this manner, and would furnish the subject of an illustrative comment, not less interesting than instructive. The King's laudable encouragement of the national anxiety for discovery and colonization; the curious insolence of the saltpetremen, who, in abuse of their authority to search for the natural salt, used in the manufacture of gunpowder, carried on their operations in all places without distinction, as "in parlours," according to the report of referees appointed to inquire into the facts, "bed chambers, threshing floors, malting floors, and shops, yea, God's own house they have not forborne, but have digged in churches, hallowed chapels, and churchyards, tearing men's bones and ashes out of their graves, to make gunpowder of, and placing their tubs as well in the bodies of churches as in churchyards, divers weeks together;"* the royal and other patronage given to those great works of drainage in the fens in the eastern counties, which have so wonderfully increased the productiveness

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* Vol. clxv., No. 38. "And as they dig in all places, so they respect not times or seasons, digging and working in the breeding-time in dove-houses, continuing also much longer and working more hours in a day than they need, or by their commission they are authorized, ofttimes three weeks, sometimes a month or five weeks together, seven or eight hours in a day, sometimes from sun-rising to sun-setting, whereby the flights of doves are destroyed; and without respect of harvest time, in barns, to the hindrance of the poor husbandman's inning of his crop, in or near malting time in malting floors, even when green malt is upon the floor; in working shops three weeks together, where the poor tradesman should earn his bread; in mercers' shops, in market towns, in the midst of the market time, the shops full of customers; and in bedchambers, and under the very beds, and placing their tubs by the bedsides of the old and impotent, sick and diseased, of women with their children sucking at their breasts, and even of women in childbed, and of sick persons lying on their deathbeds, with so much barbarous cruelty to their persons and their goods, and with so base and uncivil language, as is hard to be believed any could have done that professed themselves Christians, or had been bred in a civil government." *Ibid.*

of that part of the kingdom; the provision made by the Government against an anticipated period of alarming scarcity; the views of men of medical science, respecting the treatment of the plague; the mission of the Earl of Denbigh to the East; the endeavour to establish a fishing company, whose principal station should be in the Isle of Lewis, with the view of opposition to the encroachments of the Dutch; the ceremonies attendant upon the birth and baptism of Prince Charles, the future Charles II.; these and innumerable other subjects, treated of from page to page, offer themes for almost inexhaustible note and comment. But enough has been done, it is hoped, to effect the object aimed at in these prefatory remarks, which is merely to stimulate inquiry, and to give some faint idea of the value of this addition to the materials for English history.

Since the publication of the last volume, the Editor has been deprived of the valuable assistance of Mr. Impey, who has been promoted to another branch of the public service. The Editor has still the advantage of the co-operation of Mr. William Douglas Hamilton; and other arrangements have been made, in lieu of Mr. Impey's services, which it is hoped will tend to expedite the publication of the volumes which remain.

JOHN BRUCE.

5, Upper Gloucester Street, Dorset Square.
10th December 1860.

ERRATA.

Page 24 is incorrectly numbered 34.

„ 25, art. 68, *for* Francis, Earl of Devon, *read* Francis, Earl of Bedford.

„ 86, art. 9, *for* Capt. John Aley, *read* Capt. Peter Aley.

„ 138, art. 62, *for* Jane Countess of Winchester, *read* Jane Marchioness of Winchester.

„ 139, art. 67, *for* Catherine Countess of Devonshire, *read* Christian Countess of Devonshire.

„ 202, art. 10, *for* the Henrietta Maria and the Spy, *read* the Henrietta, the Maria, and the Spy.

„ 396, art. 3, *for* Edward Ramsey, *read* David Ramsey.

„ 522, art. 94, *for* Replow, *read* Repton.

DOMESTIC PAPERS.

CHARLES I.

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July 1. 1. Mayor and others of Bridgewater to the Council. Certificate that wheat in their market is 4*s.* 4*d.*, beans 2*s.*, and malt and barley 2*s.* 6*d.* the bushel of ten gallons.

July 1. Dock House near Portsmouth. 2. John Brooke to Sec. Coke. The ships lying there in ordinary are denied victuals by the victualler, and the Assurance has spent her three months' store. The men threaten, as thinking it lawful, to go into men's grounds and take their beans, peas, sheep, or whatever they find fit for their necessities.

July 1. 3. Declaration of Thomas Edwardes, Lecturer of St. Botolph's Without, Aldgate, of his conformity to the Church of England, and promise to preach a sermon of obedience to superiors.

July 1. Westminster. 4. Statement of reasons why the Justices of Westminster committed Nathaniel Grace to the Gatehouse. He interrupted Mr. Heywood whilst giving a charge to the jury, and affronted the whole bench with uncivil speeches.

July 2. Westminster. Commission to Sir Patrick Hayborne, Sir William Selby, William Douglas of Cavers, Roger Widdrington, James Cockburn, and Henry Shafton, to examine the differences between the Earl of Suffolk and Sir David Hume, concerning fishings claimed by them in the river Tweed. [*Sign Man. Car.* I., *Vol.* xi., *No.* 27.]

July 2. 5. Petition of his Majesty's tenants inhabiting within the Liberty of the Tower to the King. The Gentleman Porter of the Tower pretends that all the tenements thereabouts belong to him, and has brought many actions against divers of the petitioners, who consist of 100 families, and have spent above 200*l.* in defending the King's title. Pray for order to the Council to set apart a day for hearing this great cause. [*Referred to the Council accordingly. Greenwich, July* 2, 1629.]

July 2. Whitehall. 6. Order of Council of War. The necessities of many of the officers press for a more speedy payment than will give leave to the auditors to examine their accounts; Capt. Mason shall therefore pay by way of imprest, among such officers as shall personally appear,

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one-half of the pay certified to be due to them by the auditors of the imprests, the other half being appointed to be paid on the 1st February next. To prevent irregularity, the Council of War require Sir Francis Willoughby, Sir James Scott, and Sir Thomas Morton, to give their assistance according to certain instructions annexed. *Annexed,*

6. I. *Instructions to be observed by Sir Francis Willoughby, Sir James Scott, Sir Thomas Morton, and Capt. John Mason, for better ordering the payments appointed to be made to the land officers who served in the voyages to Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle.*

July 2. 7. Copy of the same order and instructions, with various alterations in the latter.

July 2. 8. Original draft of the Order of Council.

July 2. 9. Original draft of the instructions.

July 2. Whitehall. 10. Order of Council of War. The auditors of the imprests having certified that 46,871*l.* was due to the general and officers lately employed in the service of the King of Denmark, on conference with Sir John Burlacy, Sir James Levingston, and Sir John Swinton, three of the colonels, and with Capt. Miles Earneley, on behalf of Col. Morgan, it is ordered that Col. Morgan's regiment shall receive their arrears until the day of reduction, and that the officers shall be paid 27,000*l.* by three equal payments at six, twelve, and eighteen months. [*Draft as finally settled.*]

July 2. 11. A previous draft of the same.

July 2. 12. Another draft of the same, still earlier. [*Struck through, and "Vacat" written in the margin.*]

July 2. 13. Brief of the present state of the application for a Patent for dressing and repairing all arms throughout England, prosecuted by James Maxwell and William Murray, on behalf of Christopher Bainbridge.

July 2. 14. Minutes of answers of the Council of War to the above-mentioned petition of or for Christopher Bainbridge, and to the petitions of various other applicants for arrears of pay, or other money payments.

July 2. 15. The like of answers to various other similar petitions given this day, or on the 31st July inst. Among the petitioners are Daniel Bucanus, Edward Norton, John Cornewall, Robert Lee, and Henry Dodsworth, administrator of Lieut. Matthew Dodsworth.

July 2. 16. Minute by William Boswell of an order of the Council of War for the classification of petitions for payment of moneys for services under five general heads.

July 2. 17. Sir John Bingley to Sec. Dorchester. Begs his favour to a petition. The disgrace of the thing is more grievous to him than

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the money being sent for over by their Lordships. If he had money as he has had, he would never speak one word in it.

July 3. Nonsuch. 18. The King to Drs. Robt. Pink and Nicholas Love, and to Thos. Risly, Wm. Dillon, John Crooke, and Edward Stanley, electors for the next election at Winchester College. To nominate John Beeseley, a child of Winton College, to New College, Oxford.

[July 3.] 19. Attorney General Heath to the King. Report on a petition of Wm. Waldron, Henry Waldron, and John Goffe, praying the King to change the tenure of an acre of land at Donyatt, co. Somerset, whereupon an almshouse had been built, from knight service to common socage. (See *Vol.* cxxi. *No.* 58.) The Attorney General submits that the proposed change can be but a small prejudice, and will be a favour extended to the poor. *Underwritten,*

19. I. *Reference to the Attorney-General to prepare a Bill accordingly. Nonsuch,* 1629, *July* 3.

July 3. 20. Petition of the Mayor and Bailiffs of Leicester to the King. Pray for a new charter with enlarged privileges. *Annexed,*

20. I. *Remembrances in renewing the Charter to Leicester, in which are set out thirteen points of additional privilege solicited by the petitioners.*

Written under the Petition:—

20. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to certify his opinion. Nonsuch,* 1629, *July* 3.

20. III. *Report of the Attorney General indicating which of the solicited privileges he deemed proper to be granted.*

20. IV. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a new Charter in conformity with his Report. Woking,* 1629, *July* 30.

[July 3.] 21. Minute of petition of the merchants of London trading in French wines to the King. They pray that the importation of French wines may be prohibited and restrained in the manner mentioned in the next article. Also that the limits within which the petitioners are allowed to sell wines by retail may be enlarged, and power given them to prevent the great abuses practised in sophisticating wines.

July 3. Whitehall. 22. Order of Council. On complaint of the French merchants and the Company of Vintners of London of the large quantities of French wines now remaining on their hands, it is thought fit that a proclamation be published to prohibit further importation until February next, and that no importation of wines be permitted in any other than English bottoms.

July 3. Whitehall. 23. Order of Council. It being the King's pleasure that the 400 soldiers sent into Guernsey and Jersey be sent from thence into the Low Countries, to serve the United Provinces, the Lords of the Admiralty are to order one of the King's ships and two of the Whelps to carry those soldiers to Flushing.

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July 3. 24. Draft suggested Order of Council with reference to the payment of the soldiers lately in the service of the King of Denmark. Although differently expressed it is to the same effect as the Order of the Council of War on that subject of the 2nd July inst.

July 3. From your house in the Strand. 25. Balthazar Gerbier to [Sec. Dorchester]. On taking the King's sign manual to the office of the Privy Seal information was given to the Duchess of Buckingham, who pretends that Sir Robert Pye had given notice to stay it. This does not agree with her promise to fulfil all the late Duke's intentions with respect to Gerbier. All that he gave Gerbier for twelve years' service was this annuity, the old house in which Gerbier lives, and the keepership of York House. Sir Francis Cottington informed Gerbier that Sir Robert Pye contended that Gerbier was unable to possess these gifts, not being a denizen. The King had provided for that by his letters patent, and by the present instrument put him in posession of all that they seek to take from him. Hopes the Duchess will not have power to defeat him. Fr.

July 3. 26. "Watt. Jems." to Endymion Porter. Gives him information respecting an estate in Fordington and the two Rymes, which would yield 500*l.* for an estate of three lives.

July 4. London House. 27. Bishop Laud of London to Nicholas. If anything be moved, touching the Admiralty of Pembroke or Carmarthen, prays Nicholas to give him present knowledge thereof.

July 4. 28. Valuation by James Heriot, Philip Jacobson, Thos. Simpson, and Wm. Tirrey, of certain old crown Jewels intended to be sold. The sum total is 3,180*l.* 8*s.* *Underwritten,*

28. I. *Order for the Attorney General to prepare a Bill for the sale of the same (with the exception of one stone, valued at* 180*l. retained by the King) to Wm. Tirrey, at the price named in the valuation.* 1629, *July* 10.

July 5. Nonsuch. 29. The King to the Officers of the Ordnance. The deputation from Lord Vere to Sir Thomas Stafford, had been procured upon a wrong supposition. The King declares that Sir John Heydon, Lieut. of the Ordnance, has full power to supply the place of Master of the Ordnance in his absence. [*Copy.*]

July 5. 30. Petition of John de Laet, owner of the Three Kings of Enckhuysen, to the Council. On a return voyage from Cephalonia, his ship, under the command of Emert Peterson, was surprised by Capt. Crosby, set forth by Lord Roper [Teynham ?], one of the Council of Ireland. Peterson and others of the crew having been killed, the ship was taken into Waterford. Pray letters to bring her from Waterford to London.

July 5. 31. Katherine Duchess of Buckingham to Endymion Porter. John Eve, of Danbury, having slain Robert Remington, of Maldon, on Thursday last, the late Duke's old servant John Baker has

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entreated the Duchess be a suitor for Eve's estate, if he be convicted. She begs Porter to present this request to the King.

July 5. Chiswick. 32. John Weekes to Endymion Porter. Begs to be mentioned to the King for Diptford, Dr. Peterson, being now Dean of Exeter. The Dean, being not actually possessed, will be pleased with one word of the King, either to leave it or Porlock. If the writer's prayer be not sufficient for Porter, it is no great journey for the writer's little B. to go down on her knees, and to join with him in the versicle of the Litany, "We beseech," &c.

July 6. Nonsuch. 33. Petition of Margaret Barnes, of Weymouth, Melcombe Regis, to the King. Petitioner being very young, is indicted for making away with an illegitimate child. Prays that if convicted, she may be reprieved until the Judge certifies whether she be not fit for the King's pardon. *Underwritten,*

33. I. *Order to the Judges to reprieve the Petitioner and certify their advice concerning her offence. Nonsuch,* 1629, *July* 6.

33. II. *Certificate of Baron Denham, stating the facts of the case.*

July 6. On board the Assurance in Portsmouth Harbour. 34. Capt. Hugh Lydyard to the Officers of the Navy. Received by Mr. Brooke, Clerk of the Check, their order to bring about the Assurance, the Second and the Seventh Whelp, with the Charles, to Chatham. States arrangements for manning the Charles, and difficulties respecting victualling.

July 7. Proclamation, touching the Importation of French wines, in conformity with the Order of the Privy Council, of the 3rd July inst. No. 22. [*Coll. Procs., Car.* I., *No.* 112.]

July 7. Westminster. 35. The King to the Chapter and Canons of Exeter. To elect William Peterson, Doctor in Divinity, and one of the King's Chaplains, to be Dean of Exeter. [*Copy.*]

July 7. Docquet of the same. [*Docquet.*]

July 7. The same to the Justices of Assize in co. Cumberland. To disperse certain offenders lately pardoned, into Ireland and Sweden, delivering them to such captains or colonels as have Commission to take up soldiers for the King of Sweden. [*Docquet.*]

July 7. Grant to Wm. James, of an Alms-room in St. Peter's, Westminster, for life. [*Docquet.*]

July 7. 36. Lord President Conway to Sir John Hume. His opinion of the worth of Sir John and his son, has been his special motive to endeavour the match. In his answer to the terms propounded by Sir John's son and the Earl of Kellie, he had weighed well the circumstances of both parties, judging it improper in a contract of marriage to treat as in a bargain of merchandise. If he accepts the offer, begs him to give order for the assurances, if not, prays him to break off the treaty wholly.

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July 7. On board the Red Lion, before Margate Road, going to the Downs.

37. Capt. John Pennington to the Lords of the Admiralty. Reports a cruise after Dunkirkers, his falling in with the Adventure, having on board Sir Thos. Roe, whom he escorted to the Brill, where he landed in rough weather and considerable danger. Solicits fresh supply of provisions, new sails of French canvas, and clothing for his men, with authority to cruise to the southward.

July 7.

38. Petition of Wm. Turley, master of His Majesty's hoy, the Primrose, to the same. The hoy being now sold, prays that he may be entered as master of the vessel appointed in her room. *Underwritten,*

38. I. *Certificate of Sir Guilford Slingsby of the sufficiency of the Petitioner.*

July 7. The Savoy.

39. Wm. Earl of Northampton to Sec. Dorchester. Sends a draft of a letter for the King to sign. The purport does not appear, but it was to be addressed to the Judges. [*On the back of this letter Sec. Dorchester has written the names of a sub-committee of trade appointed at Nonsuch on the 5th July inst.*]

July 7. Linlithgow.

40. Marie Montgomerie to the same, described as the "Earll of Karltoun." Reminds him of the love he bore to her brother, Lieut. Montgomerie in Holland, and intreats him, if her husband has any good design at Court to let him have his assistance.

July 7. Aboard his ship the Red Lion.

41. Capt. John Pennington to Nicholas. Recapitulates the narrative contained in his letter to the Lords of the Admiralty of this date. Desires he may know the reason of the contradictory warrants he receives. Thinks "their lines are not with that respect and kindness" that he was wont to receive in the late Duke's times, and that other men continue to receive. Appeals to Nicholas, who has ever been his true friend, to open these riddles to him.

July 7. Southampton.

42. John Ellzey to the same. Gives account of prize business at Southampton. Has 106*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* in hand ready to be paid upon notice. States the grounds of a dispute with Humphrey Ryman of that town, respecting the tenths of certain Brazil sugars bought by him at Cowes. Solicits Nicholas's advice.

July 7.

43. Order made by Lord Keeper Coventry in a cause between Bishop Howson, of Durham, late of Oxford, plaintiff, and Thomas Earl of Kellie and Sir Henry Marten, defendants. The Lord Keeper reverses a decree made in a cause wherein the Earl was plaintiff and the Bishop defendant, and annuls a lease of a rectory formerly given to the see of Oxford, which lease had been granted to the Earl of Kellie and by him assigned *bonâ fide* and for valuable consideration to Sir Henry Marten.

July 8.

44. Petition of John Medley of Poictiers, Armourer, to the King. The late Duke gave order to Lord Montjoy for the petitioners coming over to be employed in the King's service. The yearly allowance for cleansing the armour in the Tower is 400*l.* Petitioner

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offers for that sum not merely to cleanse the armour, but also to furnish 50 horsemens' armours yearly. [*On the same paper, Sec. Coke has written a full account of the Armoury establishment at Greenwich with particulars of the expense and the amount of work performed.*]

[July 8 ?] 45. Petition of divers builders and seafaring men to the Council. Pray that certain new buildings in Peas Field, Wapping, which were questioned by the Commissioners for Buildings might stand, and the petitioners would submit to such fines as their Lordships should assess.

July 8. 46. Petition of the merchant adventurers to the Lords of the Admiralty. They have three ships now lading for Hamburgh with cloth. Understand of much danger both by Dunkirkers and in the River Elbe. Pray for a convoy.

July 8. 47. Petition of Thomas May, purser in the St. Andrew, to the same. Being desirous to go forth in a ship of which he is part owner, he prays that Charles Clark may be appointed to the St. Andrew in his stead. *Underwritten,*

47. I. *Certificate of Sir Sackville Crow, Sir Guilford Slingsby, and Stephen Alcock, that Charles Clark was very able and sufficient.*

July 8. 48. Petition of David Powell, boatswain-deputy in the Bear Royal, to the same. Had served eight years in the navy. His relation Charles Chipp, cook in the Merhonour, was willing to surrender his place to petitioner. Prays the Lords to approve that arrangement. *Annexed,*

48. I. *Certificate of Charles Chipp that he had assigned his office of Cook in the Merhonour to his friend David Powell.*

48. II. *The like of Master and Boatswain of the Bear Royal in favour of David Powell.*

July 8. 49. List of Officers whose pay Capt. John Mason was directed to stop; probably annexed to a letter of this date which has not been found.

July 9. Nonsuch. 50. Safe conduct from the King for Francesco Vercellini going into Italy on the King's business. Lat.

July 9. Westminster. 51. Sir Abraham Williams to Sec. Dorchester. Writes respecting Sir Cheyney Culpeper, lately sent over to the Hague, to condole with the Queen of Bohemia. Sir Robt. Karr when employed on a like occasion was presented with a diamond of about 200*l.* If he thinks fit to move the King for a present on this occasion it will be well taken on the other side.

July 9. 52. Inventory by Richd. Dike of Admiralty Tenths from the prizes, the Corpo Santo, the Lady of Piety, and the Device, brought into the Port of London by Capt. West.

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July 9. 53. Certificate of the number of the trained forces for co. Berks. (1,000 foot and 80 horse) with the quantities of ammunition in the magazines at Reading and Abingdon.

July 10. Oatlands. 54. The King to the bailiffs and aldermen of Yarmouth. A petition having been presented to the King representing much faction and distraction in the government of that town, the Attorney General had taken a legal course to effect a reform, which having been opposed, the King's good intentions would not take place so soon as he desired. In the meantime no election of new bailiffs is to take place until the King be first made acquainted therewith, and the names of all the aldermen be sent to the King, with choice made of eight who are fittest for the place, out of whom the King will recommend two to be bailiffs for the year ensuing.

July 10. Whitehall. 55. Order of Council. Four galleys, and a pinnace called the Disdain, having been long laid aside as useless, the Lords of the Admiralty are to give warrant for their sale.

July 10. 56. Memorandum by Nicholas of a motion to be made to the Council that an order sent to Sir Henry Marten for restitution of the Hope of Calais may be revoked.

July 10. Bury St. Edmunds. 57. Lord Chief Justice Hyde and Sir Francis Harvey, Justice of the Common Pleas, to the Council. Being at the Assizes at Bury St. Edmunds they received the inclosed petition, whereupon they conferred with the Justices of Peace who affirmed the substance thereof to be true, and that if some course were not taken for taking the cloths out of the hands of the clothiers, they were not able to continue their trade. Their cloths being untaken by the Turkey and Muscovia merchants they are not able to furnish themselves with wool. *Inclose,*

57. I. *Petition of the Clothiers in co. Suffolk to Lord Chief Justice Hyde and Mr. Justice Harvey. On former petitions setting forth the decay of their trade, the Council encouraged them to go on, promising a speedy remedy. Their cloth still remaining in their hands they are altogether unfurnished of money to continue the poor in work, and unless some speedy course be taken, shall be obliged to give over all trading in that way.*

July 10. Basle. 58. Dr. Wolgang Mayer to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks him for his favour shown, in conjunction with the Earl of Carlisle, to the writer's son lying in London, destitute of hope and advice, and sick both in mind and body. Has learnt the circumstances from a letter written by his son from London on the 4th May. Begs him to procure the lad to be sent to Trinity College, Cambridge, with letters of recommendation from the King, the archbishop, or himself, and that his expenses in London and his charges for clothes, books, and other necessaries may be discharged. Lat.

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July 10. London. 59. Grant by Sir John Borough, Norroy, to Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, of Hatfield, in co. York, son of Giles Vermuyden, of St. Martin's Dyke, Zealand, of an honorary addition to his arms.

July 10. 60. Draft of the same.

July 10. Hampton. [Southampton.] 61. Thomas Wulfris to Thomas Radcliffe. A parcel of tobacco taken out of the Plough, in November last, has been found hid in Hurst Castle with Lord Gorges's Lieutenant, Capt. Barnes. A fine world when the King's castles erected for service should be made dens for thieves or pirates and stolen goods from customers! Suggests an order that every castle keeper who should receive or hide any merchandise whatsoever should lose his place.

[July 10.] 62. List by ——— Doughton, of persons wounded in the riot in Fleet Street this day.

July 11. 63. Petition of John Chapman, purser in the Bear, to the Lords of the Admiralty. His ship proving unserviceable, prays that he may be continued on his entertainment till some place shall fall.

July 11. 64. Similar petition of Wm. Mitchell, late boatswain of the Bear, to the same. Boatswain for 45 years, and being upwards of 69, is "the ancientest boatswain that belongeth to His Majesty's ships."

July 11. 65. John Earl of Clare, Sir Henry Spiller, and George Long, to Thos. Earl of Arundel, and Edward Earl of Dorset. An ancient inn, the Greyhound, in Holborn, near adjoining to Brooke House, being ruinous, is lately come into possession of ——— Hollingshead, a wealthy citizen, who repairing the same, openly supports the ruins with timber contrary to the proclamation. The writers representing this circumstance to him, he treated the proclamation with contemptuous disregard and themselves with insolence; all which they submit to consideration.

July 11. 66. Act questions in theology and philosophy to be discussed in the University of Oxford on this day and the 13th inst., between Edward Burton and Henry Bellamy, and Thomas Lawrence and Ferdinand Sadler. [*Printed. Two copies on one sheet.*]

July 12. Westminster. Dispensation to William Beelie, B.D., to hold, together with the Archdeaconry of Carmarthen and the Rectory of King's Stanley in the Diocese of Gloucester, the Rectory of Stoke Goldington, *alias* Stokegolding, in the Diocese of Lincoln, for two years, on condition of his repairing the parsonage-house. [*Sign Man. Vol.* xi., No. 28.]

July 12. 67. Petition of John Arnold, his Majesty's footman in ordinary, in behalf of the bailiffs and burgesses of Dorchester, to the King. Prays for a renewal of their charter, with the additional privileges mentioned in a schedule annexed. *Annexed,*

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67. I. *Statement of the desired contents of the new charter solicited for the Borough of Dorchester, with some marginal comments of the Attorney General. Underwritten,*

67. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare new Charter if the requested additional privileges are not prejudicial to the King's service or the public good. Whitehall,* 1629, *June* 12.

July 12. 68. Names of the Lords and others of the Privy Council.

July 12. 69. Dennis Fleming to Nicholas. Forbore to sign the certificate sent to the Lords of the Admiralty touching the Pelican, claimed by Mr. Cotton, because Sir Guilford Slingsby omitted thereout the great charge which his Majesty had been at in the repair and setting of her forth on the last expedition to Rochelle. Incloses account, which shows that the amount expended by the King in setting that ship to sea was 132*l.* 17*s.* 11½*d.* *Inclosed,*

69. I. *Account above mentioned, from which it appears that after deducting freight, the owner of the Pelican is indebted to the King* 112*l.* 7*s.* 11½*d.* *Annexed,*

69. II. *Copy reference by the Lords of the Admiralty to the Officers of the Navy, of the Petition of John Cotton, for the restoration of the Pelican, formerly pressed into the King's service and now ordered to be sold as the King's own.* 1629, *June* 6.

July 13. Aboard the Red Lion in the Downs. 70. Capt. John Pennington to the Lords of the Admiralty. Yesterday, in a letter from Sir Henry Mervyn, he received a warrant from their Lordships for delivering over the ships under his command to Sir Henry, which he is ready to perform, but Sir Henry writes that he will send his lieutenant and master to receive them. Requests therefore a further warrant that he may carry himself blameless on both sides. Reminds the Lords that he had made his provisions for the whole voyage, which he leaves to their consideration.

[July 13?] 71. Extract from instructions to Capt. John Pennington, employed to the river Elbe, said to be dated this day, concerning his saluting the ships and forts of the King of Denmark.

July 13. 72. John, Earl of Bridgewater, to Sir John Bridgeman, Chief Justice of Chester. Recommends to his favour the cause of the distressed widow of Sir John Ratcliffe.

July 13. 73. Certificate of the Warden of the Vintner's Company and others, appointed by the same Company to view a house in Seacole-lane which Nicholas Banaster intends for a tavern, to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London. They find the same unfit to be tolerated, in regard of the situation thereof, being near certain alleys, in a back place, and having a bowling-alley and pair of butts where poor people will spend their thrift and cause brawls. [*Copy.*]

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July 13. 74. Certificate of Alderman Rowland Heylyn and others to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London. They have viewed the place in Seacole-lane, above-mentioned, and confirm the facts stated in the preceding article. Besides the bowling alley and butts there is also shovel-board. It is fit for nothing but a common gaming-house, in a back place, out of the eye of government. [*Copy.*]

July 13. 75. Henry Lee and John Langham to William Mellow, master of the Prudence, directing him how to proceed in a mercantile voyage to Leghorn and Zante. [*Copy.*]

July 14. His Majesty's declaration to dispark the East, West, and Middle Parks of Raby, and to discharge the officers of Raby Castle and Barnard Castle, and of the said parks, his Majesty intending to sell the same. [*Docquet.*]

July 14. Confirmation of an assignment made to Edward Esterfield by the King's lessees in trust, of the above-named castles and parks, and grant of the same in reversion to Henry Dingley and Samuel Cordwell, nominated by Sir Henry Vane, under the yearly rent of 51*l.* 18*s.* [*Docquet.*]

[July 14.] Pardon for life to Thomas Saunderson for stealing a nag. [*Docquet.*]

July 14. Grant to Thomas Comber, D.D., of the Deanery of Carlisle [*Docquet.*]

July 14. Warrant to pay to Christopher Earl of Anglesea not exceeding 60*l.* for reparations in and about the parks and warren at Hampton Court. [*Docquet.*]

July 14. Warrant to pay to James Maxwell, one of the grooms of the bedchamber, 225*l.* for interest of 5,000*l.* lent by him to the King [*Docquet.*]

July 14. The like to pay to Sir Henry Vane, cofferer of the Household, appointed Ambassador Extraordinary to the Low Countries, 1,500*l.* for secret service. [*Docquet.*]

July 14. 76. Writ out of the Court of Admiralty to Samuel, John, and Philip Fawle, authorizing them to demand from Sir John Drake and Richard Alford the restitution of a certain ship ordered by the Council to be delivered to Luke de la Roche, of Marennes, and in default thereof to summon the parties to appear in the Court of Admiralty. Lat.

July 14. 77. Report of the officers of the Ordnance on a petition of James Maxwell and Wm. Murray, grooms of the bedchamber and others, to the King, soliciting a reference to some of the Council of War to approve of certain persons to be commissioners for the ordaining and appointment of able workmen for dressing, stamping, and repairing of all the common arms in England and Wales. The

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officers of ordnance report that certain persons among those suggested are skilful workmen as armourers and gunmakers, and fit men to be employed in any services connected with their professions. *Annexed,*

77. I. *The petition of James Maxwell, William Murray, and others, above mentioned.*

77. II. *Reference of the same to any four or five of the Council of War. Greenwich,* 1629, *June* 2.

77. III. *Reference by the Council of War to the officers of the Ordnance. Whitehall,* 1629, *July* 2.

July 14. 78. Petition of John Peck and Benjamin Nowell to the King. The Common Council of London having ordained an office of Registry for redress of abuses committed by brokers, and for discovery of thieves that put to sale stolen goods to the said brokers, the petitioners and Hugh Smallwood deceased were, by the Court of Aldermen, appointed Registers. The late King, on the 6th of February, in the 20th year of his reign, appointed them like officers for Westminster and the suburbs. Pray that on surrender of the late King's grant a new grant may be made to Francis Williamson the elder, John Bedingfield, and Francis Williamson the younger. *Underwritten,*

78. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly. Windsor,* 1629, *July* 14.

July 14. Portsmouth. 79. Wm. Towerson to the Lords of the Admiralty. This day he was called before Mr. Holt, the Mayor, Owen Jennings, and Francis Brooke, who showed him a warrant from their Lordships, to survey a French prize ship brought in by Capt. Carew, and to find out all her ordnance and furniture. He presently gave directions for their view of all such provisions as he received out of her, and now details all his transactions in reference to the ship in question. Prays that he may be disbursed the money he has paid on her account. He has also been promised an allowance for keeping 21 sail of French ships for five months, which were afterwards conducted to London by Capt. Pennington. *Incloses,*

79. I. *Warrant out of the Court of Admiralty for staying the Gift of God, otherwise the Blue Lion, belonging to James Haviland and Francis Dobbins.*

[July 14 ?] Penshurst. 80. Dorothy, Countess of Leicester, to her brother James, Earl of Carlisle. Apologises for not writing, and protests her devotion to his service.

July 14 ? 81. Account of principal and interest due from Wm. Riplingham and Elizabeth his wife, plaintiffs in a pending suit, to Sir Wm. Talley, the defendant.

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July 15. Brentford. 1. E. Taverner to Nicholas. The Lords of the Council meet this afternoon about the St. Anne. Begs him to inform Lord Dorchester of the consequence and justice of the king's right, "whereof he seemeth not overwell edified."

July 15. Aboard the Red Lion in the Downs. 2. Capt. John Pennington to Wm. Earl of Pembroke. Has had so many testimonies of his favour that in his sufferings he has recourse to no other sanctuary than to his goodness. States the circumstances between himself and Sir Henry Mervyn mentioned in his letter of the 13th inst., (*Vol.* cxlvi., *No.* 70.) Begs that he may be speedily called thence, and leave the charge of the ship to the master. For though he is like to suffer in his poor fortune unless relieved by the Earl's means, he would not willingly suffer in his reputation by an unprofitable consumption of time when the coast is daily infested by enemies.

July 16. Exeter. 3. Orders of Dep. Lieuts. of co. Devon for the better accomplishment of directions of the Council and the Lord Lieutenant for taking an exact survey of the trained forces of that county. These orders provide for a general inspection not only of trained bands, horse and foot, but also of the beacons and magazines.

July 16. 4. Note by Thomas Shuter of what took place between Dr. Osbern and Bishop Bowle of Rochester, dean of Salisbury, when Dr. Osbern presented to him the King's order for the admission of Giles Tompkins to a prebend in Salisbury Cathedral, by way of provision.

[July 16.] 5. Minutes of proceedings of the subdean and canons of Salisbury at Chapter meetings held this day, and on the 18th and 20th inst., on receipt of the King's order mentioned in the preceding article. [*Attested copy, certified by Thomas Shuter, chapter clerk.*]

July 17. Westminster. Grant to Lambert Osbolston, M.A., of a prebend in the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, Westminster, void by the death of Christopher Sutton, D.D. [*Sign. Man., Car.* I., *Vol.* xi., *p.* 29.]

July 17. Whitehall. 6. Order of Council. The late King, by letters patent of the 8th May, in the 17th year of his reign, granted to the merchants of London trading in French wines, license to sell the same wines, either in gross or by retail, within London, Westminster, and Southwark. These merchants having petitioned for a confirmation of their patent, and its extension to the sale of wines of Spain and the Levant, the King is to be moved to grant them such confirmation and extension, with power, also, to prevent the abuse of sophisticating wines.

July 17. 7. List signed by Sir Sackville Crow, of jewels belonging to the late Duke of Buckingham, impawned in the Low Countries for his Majesty's service [*Copy.*] [*Underwritten is an order of the King, that these jewels when redeemed, were to be restored to the Duchess of Buckingham. Woodstock,* 1629, *August* 25.] [*Copy.*]

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July 17. 8. Certificate of Sir Henry Marten to [the Lords of the Admiralty], setting forth upon what evidence he adjudged the St. John the Baptist, taken by Sir John Wentworth, to be good prize. She was freighted by Spanish merchants, and taken on a coasting voyage from Ribbadeos, in Galicia, to Cadiz.

July 17. Portsmouth. 9. Henry Holt, Mayor of Portsmouth, Owen Jennings, and Francis Brooke, to the same. Have surveyed the ship mentioned in their instructions, and return the inventory and valuation. *Inclose,*

9. I. *Inventory and valuation of the Don de Dieu, remaining in Portsmouth harbour, in the custody of Capt. Wm. Towerson, total* 147*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*, *with appended examination of Richard Marsh, respecting past dealings with the same ship.*

July 17. 10. Petition of divers lame and distressed mariners to the Lords of the Admiralty. On their reference to Sir William Russell and Sir Sackville Crow, for payment of the money due on their tickets, those that were hurt in Sir William Russell's time have been paid; but Sir Sackville Crow delays on account of an inaccuracy in their tickets for 1627 and 1628. Pray that the same may be directed to Sir Sackville Crow, and that he may pay the same without any more delays.

July 17. 11. Sir Archibald Acheson to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for procuring a debt due to the writer's brother, to be transferred into Scotland, to be paid there. Wishes Sir William Alexander to be desired to draw a warrant to that effect. Also that the Sec. would give the bearer the dispatch of the petition of the writer's cousin, Robert Lindsey, delivered by the writer to the Sec., by direction from the King.

July 18. Proclamation for better discovery and apprehension of Captain Vaughan, Henry Stamford, one Ward, an ensign, and all other persons, who were actors in the insolent riots and murders committed in Fleet Street, London, on Friday the 10th inst. [*Coll. Procs. Car.* I., *No.* 113.]

[July 18?] 12. Notes by Sec. Coke, apparently of information given to him, respecting the movements of Father Muskett, Bishop Smith, Nelson, called properly Jackson, commonly Hammond, his chief vicar-general in these parts, and other leading Roman Catholics.

July 19. Aboard the Red Lion. 13. Lieut. John Legatt to the Lords of the Admiralty. Capt. Pennington has resigned his command to Sir Henry Mervyn, who has discharged the writer from his charge of Lieutenant received from their Lordships. Prays to know their farther pleasure, there being no one appointed in his place, and he having given no cause for being cashiered.

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July 19. Treemeer. [Tresmere.]

14. Sir Barnard Grenville to Sir James Bagg. Being doubtful of finding him in London, writes not what he desires to acquaint him with;—the foulness of sundry ill dispositions, poisoned by that malcontent faction of Eliot, so much as all is out of order, the deputy lieutenants being either fearful or unwilling to do their duties. Reports progress in taking the musters. Small numbers of some regiments. The lieutenancy is grown into such contempt, since the Parliament began, as there be that dare to countermand what they have on the Lords' commands willed to be done. They have certified many; but it is observed that nothing is done in it, therefore, they put on greater liberty. He is weary of the lieutenancy.

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15. Relation [by Dr. John Cosin] of part of the discourse that Judge Yelverton had this day with certain of the prebendaries of Durham, being the Sunday before the Assizes. The prebendaries desired him not to admit of certain frivolous indictments against some of their own body, to be preferred by Peter Smart, being the same which Judge Whitelock had rejected last year. His answer was, that if they were according to law, he must admit them; that he thought Smart's sermon, which had been burned at York by order of the Archbishop, a very good and honest sermon; that he disliked the singing of the service, because he could never understand a word of it. He objected also to organ-playing, which he termed whistling. Asserted that the bishop could not order them to stand up at the Nicene Creed, and that they must stand only at the Apostle's Creed. The judge remarked that he had always been accounted a Puritan, and he thanked God for it, and that so he would die. There is a added a note of the judge's charge to the jury, who thereupon found the indictments preferred against Dr. Cosin and Mr. Burgoyne.

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16. Petition of the wardens and commonalty of the Mystery of Mercers of London to the King. Richard Fishborne, a member of their mystery, deceased, and other deceased benefactors, having left money to be bestowed in lands for the maintenance of pious uses, petitioners have entered into communication with Anthony Crofts, for the purchase of the manor and lands of Chalgrave, co. Bedford, holden of Lord Berkeley, as of his manor of Melton Mowbray, by Knight's service; Melton Mowbray being holden of the King by Knight's service, *in capite.* Pray that the King would accept a grant of that manor from Anthony Crofts, and re-grant the same to the petitioners, notwithstanding the statute of Mortmain. [*Referred to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly. Denmark House,* 1629, *July* 20.]

July 20.

17. Attorney General Heath to Henry, Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal. Mrs. Sutton, keeper of the Mitre tavern in Fleet Street, and John Marshall, keeper of the King's Head tavern, have drawn up petitions [to the Council.] Their doors are shut up, and themselves restrained of their liberty. In the examinations there does not appear any crime against either of them. If they had

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their liberty on security, it would be a work of mercy and justice. *Underwritten,*

68. I. *Note from the Earl of Manchester to John Dickenson, Clerk of the Council, that if the other Lords of the Council know no further cause, he concurs with the Attorney General.*

July 20. The Downs.

18. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Having run northward as far as Yarmouth Road, and seen no enemy, he put into Harwich to press men, and was there windbound, and at length was forced to warp out of that dangerous harbour, contrary to the opinion of the pilots there. He succeeded, and brought his ship to the Downs. The officers of the Fort at Harwich commanded him to strike his flag, which he refused to do without order from the Council or Lords of the Admiralty. They threatened to sink him. He replied that he was able to beat their paper fort to pieces. From this they fell to worse words, and then to some blows, in which they had nothing the better. Begs him to certify the Lords and especially the Earl of Dorset of the truth of this passage. Capt. Pennington being discharged, the writer begins to fear that he is not long-lived. If Nicholas knows of any preservation against this disease of casting begs that it may not be concealed. Has served the king in every action of his reign with hazard of person and to his great impoverishment. Except he be continued in service or protected he must quit England or take up his lodging in a jail.

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19. Extract from the preceding.

July 20. On board the Red Lion in the Downs.

20. Peter White to Sir Henry Mervyn. The Lords of the Admiralty called him from Portsmouth, to take charge of the Red Lion for a five months voyage, by a warrant which he has shown to Sir Henry's son. Begs him to procure a warrant for White to give over the charge to the master Sir Henry shall make choice of, without which he cannot safely leave his place.

July 21. Westminster.

21. The King to Lord Treasurer Weston. On the disafforestation of Hatfield, the king granted to Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, the Lordship of Hatfield, paying yearly for ever the ancient rent of 195*l.* 3*s.* 5½*d.* and one red rose, and an improved rent of 425*l.*, from Christmas 1630. There were also granted to Sir Cornelius lands in Wroote, co. Lincoln, at the ancient rent of 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* and a pair of gloves, or fourpence, with an improved rent of 60*l.*, from Christmas 1630. The king, knowing that it was the intention of his father that all the benefit of the improvement of that chase should be to the use of the late Duke of Buckingham, is pleased to make good his father's intention, and directs that the improved rents beforementioned should be granted to the Duchess of Buckingham and Sir George Manners, either for the use of the now Duke of Buckingham, for the payment of the late Duke's debts, or for the preferment of his other children unprovided for. The Lord Treasurer is to give direction accordingly. *Underwritten,*

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21. 1. *Lord Treasurer Weston to the Attorney General to prepare the necessary bill for his Majesty's signature. Wallingford House,* 1629, *July* 21.

July 21. Court at Greenwich. 22. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a pardon for John Payton for killing Timoleon Gorges, which had been found manslaughter on his trial.

July 21. 23. Lord Treasurer Weston and Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to the same. To prepare a bill for a grant of the post fines now in lease under the rent of 2,272*l.* 8*s.* to Charles Harbord as security for 7,000*l.* lent to the King, with interest at 8 per cent.

July 21. 24. Sir Henry Palmer to Nicholas. Begs him to move the Lords for a warrant for his pay from Feb. 17 to June 2, when Sir Henry Mervyn received his instructions. Hopes to be paid as an Admiral, not as a Captain.

July 21. Southampton. 25. John Ellzey to the same. Solicits an answer to his letter of the 7th inst. (*Vol.* cxlvi. *No.* 42). Has received for tenths from Riscamore, a Cornish man, certain French wines which he is not able to sell, the country being overlaid with all sorts of wines.

July 21. Salisbury. 26. Dr. Wm. Osbern to Dr. Bowle, Dean of Salisbury. Delivered his Majesty's order to the Bishop of Sarum, but had little thanks for his labour. The Bishop objected that the order was not directed to him, that he was no under-sheriff to put any man in possession, and charged Dr. Osbern with equivocating. Keeping his distance, Dr. Osbern replied that he as little equivocated as himself. The Bishop remarked that he understood not what the words meant "by way of provision," and Dr. Barnston, Dr. Seward, and Mr. Lee adhered to the Bishop. Lord Dorchester will not take it well that his words are so wrested and misunderstood. Never was such a combustion in their church as about these poor places.

July 21. 27. Information of Howell Jones of Rilth, co. Salop, against Stephen ap Evan. Jones states that ap Evan said that the King would lose the hearts of his subjects by reason of charging them so deep with loan money and subsidies; and also, that the King was the "poolingest" King that ever reigned, and that the end of it would be that he would be hunted out of the land, and that the Palsgrave would be crowned in his stead. Sworn, 1629, July 22.

July 22. 28. Petition of John Medley to the King. In addition to the facts stated in the petitioner's previous petition (*Vol.* cxlvi. *No.* 44), he mentions that the King had ordered Sir Francis Cottington to put him into the place of ordering and making clean the armour in the Tower, to show his skill and workmanship; but as yet the same is not done. Prays a reference to the Earls of Carlisle and Holland to hear the objections to his having the said place. *Underwritten,*

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28. I. *Reference to the Earl of Holland, Secretary Coke, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, calling to them Sir John Heydon, to take into consideration the pretensions of the petitioner. Greenwich,* 1629, *July* 22.

July 22. Westminster. 29. Sir John Bingley to Sec. Dorchester. Since he perceived he was "made a stranger to the passages of this establishment" he endeavoured to be a stranger to it; but cannot but impart to the Sec. the impropriety of continuing the pension of 8*s*. per day to Sir Edward Fisher, when worthier men are omitted. The pension was originally 8*s*. Irish, which was surreptitiously made sterling. Sir Edward never did anything memorable unless it were running away in time of fight; but the great Lord Mount Norris's son is to marry Fisher's daughter or grandchild, and so Fisher has wrought this. Sir John desires that the King and the Lords may not be abused.

July 22. 30. Grounds of the judgments given by Sir Henry Marten for and against Sir Kenelm Digby, in various suits in the Exchequer respecting prize goods taken by Sir Kenelm, chiefly from Spaniards and Venetians.

July 22. 31. Petition of Nicholas Snedall of Stroud, co. Kent, fisherman, to Wm. Burrell and others, Commissioners for sale of decayed ships. Prays them to move the Lords of the Admiralty to bestow upon him one of his Majesty's pinks which are to be sold, in recompense for his ketch, the George of Stroud, pressed to serve in the expedition to Cadiz, but captured by the Turks, with petitioner's son and his two servants aboard, all of whom were made slaves. *Underwritten,*

31. I. *Recommendation from the Commissioners above mentioned that the Lords should bestow on the petitioner a new ketch not half built at Stroud, which is at a stand and will come to nothing.*

July 23. 32. Certificate of Richard Broshall, Gilbert Rolleston, and Thomas Cole, to the Council, that William Holgate, summoned to appear before the Council, was so infirm that he could not travel without danger.

July 23. Hinton. 33. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. His unhappiness in having the keeping of a forest half ruined. To the reprehensions received heretofore, restraint is now put upon him, as if his discretion were not to be trusted with the few deer which remain. Beseeches the King not to make him the Commissioners' keeper, but to trust him with the game as heretofore. Mons. de Soubise has his hounds and huntsmen in the forest, entered against his coming, which is appointed for Monday next. Poulett has returned from Week to meet him, having left his wife at the Wells, at Bristol. Begs to know the King's pleasure whether he shall permit Soubise to hunt there or not.

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July 23. Greenwich. 34. Sir Thomas Stafford to Dorchester. Solicits a recompense for the troop of horse now taken from him, and payment of an arrear of two years and more to himself and his company. Would have waited upon him, but the Queen's removing that day requires Sir Thomas's attendance. Wishes his recompense may be a pension in Ireland.

July 23. 35. Account of an interview between Judge Yelverton and the Prebendaries of Durham, in which he effects a reconciliation between Smart and Cosin, and the rest of the Chapter. Smart's son-in-law, Ogle, standing by, was heard to say, "And is it come to this? Did we rely upon the Judge for this? Hath my father spent 300*l.* for this?" Indorsed by Bishop Laud, "Judge Yelverton's milder speeches to the Prebends of Durham after the Assizes there."

July 24. 36. Statement of facts concerning Mr. Langhorne's ship, the St. Augustine, stayed by the Earl of Warwick, with underwritten opinion of Dr. Thomas Rives.

July 25. 37. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. According to their Lordship's warrant they appointed sundry able men to take a second review of the remainder of Mr. Harby's cordage, which they have done, and returned a certificate of the several parcels chosen. Solicit order for sending it to Deptford to be weighed at the King's scale, and received into store. *Inclose,*

37. I. *Kenrick Edisbury and* 17 *others to the officers of the Navy. Have selected out of Mr. Harby's storehouse at Rotherhithe* 83 *cables fit for his Majesty's use, and inclose particulars.* 1629, *July* 17. *Inclose,*

37. I. 1. *Certificate of Thos. Austen and others of parcels of cordage taken out of Mr. Harby's storehouse at Rotherhithe. In the whole there are* 84 *cables, weighing by estimation* 80 *tons.*

37. II. *The same to the same. Have inspected Mr. Harby's cordage remaining at St. Saviour's Dock, and what was found strong and serviceable has been put into lighters. Inclose,*

37. II. 1. *Another certificate of Thos. Austen and others, of cordage taken out of Mr. Harby's storehouse at St. Saviour's Dock:—*44 *cables, weighing by estimation* 50 *tons.*

July 25. Woburn. 38. Francis, Earl of Bedford, to Sec. Dorchester. In obedience to the King's command has signed a Deputation of Lieutenancy to Sir James Bagg for co. Devon. Thanks for a whelp which the Earl is learning to draw and to be a scent hound.

[July 25.] 39. Sir James Bagg to the same. Sent his letter to the Earl of Bedford, which was received with much honour, and his Majesty's will observed. Sends him the preceding letter from the Earl, and prays him to take the Earl's compliance kindly when he shall first see him.

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July 25. Northampton. 40. Dep. Lieuts. of co. Northampton to Wm. Earl of Exeter, Lord Lieutenant. Have sent their warrants for the forces of their division to be before them on the 1st Sept., to be trained and mustered. The authority of Dep. Lieuts. touching warrants for collecting money to be expended at musters, or for the entertainment of the officers, having been of late publicly impeached, they have forborne to make mention thereof, leaving the same to be levied by such other course as the Earl shall think convenient.

July 26. 41. Petition of the Mayor and Jurats of Folkestone, and others well-disposed to that place, to the King. Folkestone, which heretofore flourished by fishing and trade by sea, is fallen into great decay by means the sea has of late fetched in and carried away their ancient stade or station, so that they are deprived of means to secure their barks, and the sea has approached within seventy paces of the church, which stands upon the undermined cliff. Pray for licence to build a pier, to be passed by immediate warrant. *Underwritten,*

41. I. *Direction to the Attorney General to prepare a grant accordingly. Theobalds,* 1629, *July* 26.

July 26. 42. Dr. John Cosin to Bishop Laud. Mr. Smart being questioned at York preferred indictments at Durham against Mr. Burgoyne and the writer before Judge Yelverton, who in opposition to Judge Whitelock declared that as some men had been punished for refusing ceremonies commanded in the church by law, so others are as punishable if they dare to use rite, ceremony, ornament, or order, which is not appointed in the Book of Common Prayer. But these indictments, how frivolous they proved even in Judge Yelverton's own judgment, what conference he had with the prebendaries, what his reprehension of such smart, fierce, and unchristian courses, and what Cosin's temper and behaviour the bearer, Mr. Dunkon, and Mr. Dean of Lichfield, at his return, may relate. In the meanwhile, the Judge has stayed the indictments until he has consulted with the Bishop addressed and those of Durham and Winchester.

July 27. Leez [Leigh.] 43. Robert Earl of Warwick, to the Council. The weavers of Bocking, Braintree, and other places, have been with the Earl to complain that their masters cause them to make their cloths longer than they were wont without increase of wages. If by proclamation or letter to the Justices of Peace they would have the baize all made of one length, and have reasonable wages set upon them, it would be a means for settling peace among the people.

July 27. 44. George Lord Goring to [James Earl of Carlisle]. Sends to him this new married man [George Goring, his son], to be presented to the King that he may attend him in what condition soever until it please him to call him to the place the writer now holds, or any other. He will fit George up to attend the King this present progress, and so on the whole progress of his life after, for all the writer has is due there first. To-morrow shall return from Tunbridge to see Lord Cork, kiss his Majesty's hands and receive his

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commands. Begs him in the meantime to contrive with the Lord Treasurer about the councillor's place for Andrea de Norio. Is to return that night to his gracious mistress upon her especial strict command.

July 27. Worthorpe ? 45. Wm. Earl of Exeter, Lord Lieut. of co. Northampton, to the Dep. Lieuts. of the Western Division of that county. By their letter of the 25th conceives their unwillingness to send out warrants for levying monies for the musters according to directions from the Board. All the wisdom of the land is not merely in Northamptonshire, and seeing other places far and near, have already levied money in this behalf, especial notice will be taken of their disobedience. Desires them to answer whether they will send out warrants or not, and he will send their letters to the Board for his discharge. [*Mem. underneath that a similar letter was sent to the Dep. Lieuts. of the Eastern division.*]

July 27. Tremeer. [Tresmere.] 46. Sir Barnard Grenville to Sir James Bagg. At the recent muster at Bodmin, where there have been frequent musters in past times, when the parish wherein Tristram Arscott dwells was called he presented a petition, as he said, at the request of all the country, although got up only by his earnest labour. The writer told him he would consider of his petition. Presently after he came with a throng of people and demanded an answer. Fearing a mild cold answer might embolden his accomplices and "our busy headed Parliament men, with whom Arscott is a great sider," the writer answered roughly that his Majesty should see his petition and he would then receive his answer. He has since ridden to London to anticipate the writer's complaint, and depending on his cousin Meautys, and his master the Earl of Bedford. The writer has been a Dep. Lieut., two or three and thirty years, and never met so ill affections as now. Begs him to oppose this foul demeanour or to free him from the Lieutenancy.

July 27. 47. Return by Capt. Wm. Naper of defaulters at musters taken for co. Dorset on June 15 last, and on this day.

July 28. 48. The King to Sir Robert Heath. To prepare grant to Richard Oliver for life of the keepership of Hartwell Park, co. Northampton, and after his decease to Charles Porter, the King's godson, second son of Endymion Porter, one of the grooms of the Bedchamber, for his life.

July 28. 49. Petition of Dorothy and Ann, the two daughters of Edmond Neville, commonly called Earl of Westmoreland, to the King. Petitioners being destitute of any livelihood, pray that the pension of 600*l.* per annum, which the late King granted to their mother, may be divided so that 100*l.* per annum may be granted to each of them for their lives, and 400*l.* per annum remain to their mother, whereunto she has most willingly condescended. [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

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49. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer to give order in accordance with the preceding petition. Theobalds,* 1629, *July* 28. [*Copy.*]

49. II. *The Lord Treasurer to the Attorney General, to pursue the directions above given.* 1629, *Sept.* 15.

July 28. Bury St. Edmunds. 50. Sir Thomas Wiseman and four others to the Council. Having been appointed referees to accommodate a difference between the officers of the worsted weavers of Norwich and the sellers of worsted yarn in Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, and Cambridge, they state their proceedings at a meeting held at Bury St. Edmunds. The difference arose out of a new regulation of the worsted weavers, which imposed penalties on persons bringing to Norwich any yarn not of a certain length and number of threads. Terms of accommodation were proposed, but were rejected by the weavers of Norwich.

July 28. Hackwood. 51. John Marquis of Winchester, to Sec. Dorchester. Solicits the Sec. to move the King for warrants to hunt a brace of stags this summer with the Marquis's hounds in Windsor Forest, after the King has left the Forest.

July 28. On board the Dreadnought. 52. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the same. Landed the Venetian ambassador at Calais the 27th inst. The ships of war of Dunkirk and Ostend are all laid up in harbour, for want of money to set them out; only two or three small sloops of Gravelines pester the narrow seas between Blackness and Dungeness, and take English and Hollanders daily. Calais merchants dare not pass their goods to Dover for fear of them. Suggests that one of the Whelps should be commanded to ride in Calais-road and ply between the forenamed places.

July 28. Southampton. 53. John Ellzey to Nicholas. Again solicits answer to his previous letters respecting his dispute with Ryman. Another similar case has since occurred.

July 28. Buckden. 54. Bishop Williams, of Lincoln, to Sir John Lambe. If he shall keep his "Alliesman Allen," that has so demeaned himself towards the Bishop, he will acknowledge that Lambe has affections, but towards whom will leave it to him to judge. The Bishop will favour Sir John's new proctor, but unless Sir John's patent has more in it than that of the Bishop's chancellor, surely Sir John cannot admit him a proctor in the commissary's court. The Bishop will do it on Sir John's recommendation.

July 28. Elmsall. 55. Recognizance of Francis Nevet of Stapleton, co. York, in 100*l.*, for his appearance before the Council on the 20th of Oct. next, to answer to a charge of having contemptuously refused to find a musket for the King's service charged upon him by the Dep. Lieuts. of the West Riding, taken before Thos. Viscount Wentworth.

[July 29?] 56. Articles of Complaint against Mr. Buttolph, one of the bailiffs of Yarmouth. He is accused of vilifying and offering

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factious opposition to the course adopted by the Attorney General on the direction of the King, and of procuring the dismissal of Mr. Hardware, and threatening the like to Benjamin Cooper, who had opened the corporation evidences to the Lords referees, and desired to submit to the King's intended reformation.

[July 29.] 57. "Objections and Allegations against Mr. Benjamin Cooper, which will be very credibly proved."

[July 29 ?] 58. Statement entitled "The original cause of the pretended faction and misgovernment in Yarmouth, by the complaint of Benjamin Cooper, whereas in truth, there is not any other than some disturbances which the town suffereth by his false complaint."

July 29. Whitehall. 59. Order in Council on a Complaint made by Benjamin Cooper, Bailiff, and George Hardware, Alderman, of Yarmouth, against Wm. Buttolph, the other Bailiff, for having with violence opposed the course which his Majesty had appointed for redressing the disorders of the government there. After hearing both parties, it was ordered that Geo. Hardware having been disfranchised, should be forthwith restored, and that both parties should live together quietly, attending the issue of the course appointed by the King. Mr. Attorney General was also ordered to proceed with his quo warranto with all expedition.

July 29. Ordnance Office. 60. Officers of the Ordnance to the Council. Having received their order that such iron ordnance as might be spared, without disfurnishing the store of the proportion necessary for service on all occasions, should be sold for the King's benefit, they return a particular of all the iron ordnance. The proportion necessary for service on all occasions is a matter which they cannot determine, who neither know, nor are able to conjecture, what his Majesty's occasions may be. They therein therefore desire to be excused. Number of pieces of iron ordnance, 344; weight 449 tons.

July 29. Saltash. 61. Sir Wm. Courtney to Sec. Dorchester. Understands order is given for payment of some of the Officers. Is confident he shall not be forgotten. Reminds the Sec. of the nature of his service, and his Majesty's promise that he should have a recompense.

July 29. 62. Copy opinion of Wm. Babington and John Wightwick on the will of a testator unnamed. The persons alluded to, are an eldest son, who is the heir, and a widow. The only estates mentioned, are the Manors of Newstead, Cadney, and Howsam.

July 29. 63. List, by Capt. Arthur Radford, of defaulters at the muster taken this day, at Launston Longbarrow, co. Dorset.

July 30. 64. Petition of James Foster, convict, in the jail of the White Lion in Southwark, to the King. Travelling on foot towards Croydon, a stranger invited him to ride a horse, whereupon a company of men met him and challenged the horse to be stolen. He was tried and found guilty, but reprieved. Prays a pardon. *Underwritten,*

64. I. *Reference to the judge who tried the petitioner to certify his opinion. Woking,* 1629, *July* 30. *Annexed,*

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64 II. *Certificate of Sir George Croke, that the petitioner's excuse was deemed merely untrue, but he was reprieved on the recommendation of the jury, and because he seemed penitent, and had a wife and six children.* 1629, *August* 15. *Underwritten,*

64. III. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon. Windsor,* 1629, *Sept.* 4.

July 30. 65. Petition of Robt. Herring, barber-surgeon, to the King. Has served the late and present King for ten years past, in Denmark, the Palatinate, and at Cadiz. During his absence, one John Stanford being killed, the Coroner's quest found one Robert Herring, a person unknown to petitioner, guilty, who was thereupon indicted and outlawed. Petitioner fearing to commit himself into the power of law, prays for a reference to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon. *Underwritten,*

65. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to examine the truth of the petition and certify thereon. Woking,* 1629, *July* 30.

65. II. *Report of Attorney General Heath to the King. Annexed certificates show that petitioner has been long employed in the King's service, but they cannot give full satisfaction in the negative that he might not have killed the party mentioned in the interim between some of his employments. But whosoever did it, it was divers years since. Petitioner has been at Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle, and is not prosecuted by any.* 1629, *Oct.* 2.

65. III. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon. Whitehall,* 1629, *Dec.* 3.

July 30. 66. Petition of Gabriel Hippisley to the King. Prays for grant of fine of 500*l.* imposed in the High Commission, on Wm. Ward, of Moreton, co. Lincoln, for incest, with forfeiture of a bond of 200*l.* and a sum of 60*l.* for contempt in the said Court, all which sums have been nichiled by the Sheriffs of the said County on their accounts. [Copy.] *Underwritten,*

66. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer, who, approving, is to give order accordingly. Woking,* 1629, *July* 30. [*Copy.*]

66. II. *Reference by the Lord Treasurer to the Clerk of the Pipe and Mr. Vernon, for their opinion.* 1629, *Sept.* 14. [*Copy.*]

66. III. *Anthony Rowse and Christopher Vernon to the Lord Treasurer. Process has been issued out of the Exchequer against Wm. Ward, but the Sheriff of Lincoln has returned that he has no lands nor goods in his county.* [*Copy.*]

66. IV. *The Lord Treasurer to the Attorney General, to prepare the grant solicited by the petitioner.*

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July 30. 67. Petition of the parishioners of St. Mary, Colechurch, London, to Bishop Laud. About a year and a half past, in the decaying age of Mr. Cowdall, their old parson, who is almost four score, and at his request, they hired, at their own charge, Mr. Nalton, M.A., of five years standing, to be curate to Mr. Cowdall. By reason of the sickness and weakness of the old man, Nalton has sometimes performed the whole service, both of reading Divine Service, preaching on Sundays, and at funerals, and administering the Sacraments, wherein he has demeaned himself reverently, and according to the canonical constitutions of the Church of England. Yet for an act committed immediately after his first coming to London, and before he was acquainted with the customs of these parts, he has been convicted before the Bishop, and by him forbidden the exercise of his ministry, until the Bishop be further satisfied concerning him. Being a quiet, peaceable man, learned and painful in his ministry, of honest life, conformable to the Church, and sorry for his fault, they pray that he may be restored to his ministry.

July 30. 68. Petition of Richard Turner to the Council. Sets forth the circumstances under which he refused to serve as a trained soldier at a muster held at Hatherleigh, co. Devon, and the proceedings which had since taken place between himself and Capt. Weekes and his lieutenant, and prays that the cause may be referred to Francis Earl of Devon, the Lord Lieut. of that county.

July 30. 69. Certificate of George Bingley and John Wotton, Deputy Auditors, of a sum of 97*l.* 4*s.* due to Sir Francis Willoughby.

July 31. From the Dreadnought. 70. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has received order from Sir Henry Mervyn to sail with the Dreadnought and two Whelps for Guernsey and Jersey, to take aboard 400 soldiers, and to transport them for Flushing, and thence to return to the Downs, touching on his way to the Channel Islands at Portsmouth, to take in Mr. Younger, who has command to fit the soldiers with provision for transport. Reminds them that his provisions end on August 24, and hopes they will send a supply to Portsmouth.

July 31. Tunbridge. 71. Sir Robt. Aiton to Sec. Dorchester. By the Queen's express command recommends the bearer to the Secretary. The Queen has both spoken and written to the King in his favour, and now conceives that his despatch is altogether in the Secretary's hands.

July 31. 72. Richard Cowdall to Bishop Laud. Mr. Nalton's judgment is clear for the use of the ceremonies, and the writer doubts not but his practice will henceforward be answerable.

July 31. 73. Letters of Administration to Sir Thomas Wilson of St. Martin's in the Fields, deceased, granted to Margaret Wilson his widow, by Geoffrey Swalman, LL.D., official of the Archdeacon of Middlesex.

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July 31. 74. Oliver Viscount Grandison to Sir Thomas Roe. Roe's despatch hither was very well accepted, and himself esteemed a very able minister. The peace with France is towards a conclusion, and that of Spain in good forwardness. The French, Venetians, and States are thought to interrupt it, for the writer's opinion as affairs stand he wishes a peace with both, but he shoots at rovers as one that knows nothing. Yesterday the King began his progress. The Habeas Corpus men remain where Roe left them, where they may feed themselves with popular applause; whereas if they did ground their opinions on religion and the true rules of government they would not become so dangerous instruments to those that hearken after them and to themselves. A rescue in Fleet-street, wherein Capt. Dawson was slain, and ensuing thereupon a fray about a sword, and one or two slain, for which Stanford, late of the Duke's chamber, and Capt. Ashurst, were condemned and executed. The Lord Mayor and Sheriffs had much ado to appease the tumult, men being grown so bold as to give public affronts to government. Subscribes himself "your loving uncle."

[July ?] 75. Dr. J. Nicholas to the King. The death of Bishop Hanmer, of St. Asaph, has filled the writer with sorrow, he having just come out of Wales with letters from that prelate. Prays that out of the livings to be vacated by the person to be named as the Bishop's successor, or which may fall during the vacancy of the see, the writer may have some preferment according to his Majesty's promise. Refers to letters addressed by the late prelate to Sir James Fullerton (*see Vol.* cxlv. *No.* 6) and Sir Theodore Mayerne.

July. 76. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. To prepare grant of offices of High Steward of the Honour of Grafton and Master of the Game there to Sir Francis Crane, Chancellor of the Order of the Garter.

[July ?] 77. William Shaw to Sec. Dorchester. Acquaints him of a purchase whose title and tenure are without exception. It is a fair lady, an Earl's daughter, whose virtues are extant and her person present to be seen. Her father is a Scottish Earl, her mother, daughter, and sister of Nottingham house in Surrey. The Howards there are all her friends, the King is pleased to honour her, the Marquis Hamilton and other northern lords are all on her side, Lord Monmouth is her uncle. If the Sec. would be pleased to question the writer, Mr. Carpenter, the Sec.'s servant, may find him in Westminster.

[July ?] 78. Minute of application to the same, to give a decision in the case of a ship of Lubeck, taken by a ship of war, set out by Capt. West and others, and on which case Sir Henry Marten had made a report, by order of the Council. Reasons are stated why the case of this ship differs from that of other prize ships taken from the Hanse Towns.

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July. 79. Commissioners for subsidies in co. Kent, to Philip Earl of Montgomery, Lord Lieutenant. On the urgent importunity of the billeters of the east parts of Kent, they represent to him that the last of the five subsidies is now called for, and they pray that thereout the billeters may receive satisfaction, which will supply their many great necessities, and give encouragement to as humble, faithful, and loyal subjects, as any within his Majesty's dominion.

July. 80. Names of such as are returned defaulters at musters in co. Essex, delivered in by the Earl of Warwick.

July. 81. List of defaulters at musters in co. Lancaster, returned by the Dep. Lieuts.

[July ?] 82. Names of such as were defective at musters, in co. Hertford.

[July ?] 83. Petition of the trained bands in the Hundred of Stratton, co. Cornwall, to the Dep. Lieuts. of that county. They are more charged with arms than any county in England, certainly more than Devon, Somerset, Dorset, and Hants, and more burthened in the unequal manner of laying on that charge. "Now you, gentlemen, who sit in the rooms of your noble predecessors, whose memories are yet fresh among us, in their pious standing for the good of their country, be pleased to take it into your breasts, how honourable it is to protect us against such a common grievance, in what you may, and so be patrons to your native country; and, in what is above you, to marshal and present this our just complaint" to the Lord Lieutenant and the Council. They pray that their arms may be brought to the condition of 1586, or if that may not be, that they may have contribution from other parts; that no manbe drawn to muster at such a distance from his home that he is put to heavy charge, besides being compelled to travel on the sabbath day; and that a rule be published for a supply of arms proportioned to every man's estate. [*Copy.*]

[July ?] 84. Petition of Robert Thorne to Sec. Dorchester. King James granted the petitioner the office of taking oaths before the Council of Wales, after the death of Fulke Lord Brooke. Petitioner has been admitted to the office, but Sir Marmaduke Lloyd, Sir Nicholas Overbury, and Mr. Justice Waties debarred him from receiving the fees, whereupon the King, by letter, inhibited them from intermeddling with the same fees. On delivery of the same letter, the justices used many threatening and bitter speeches to the patentee, and threatened to petition the King against him. Prays him to inform the King of the "incurious course" held by the justices, that they may be commanded to use the patentee with the respect befitting his Majesty's sworn officer.

[July ?] 85. Statement of the inconveniences which will ensue if any patent for taking oaths should be granted. Increased delay to suitors, and loss of dignity to the Court, Thorne being but a clerk in

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a prothonotary's office, and his deputy an alehouse keeper and seller of tobacco. The judges are of opinion that Thorne's patent is void in law.

[July ?] This Sunday morning. 86. Henry, Earl of Danby, to James, Earl of Carlisle. Not being in strength to come abroad, suspends all engagements. Hates the memory of this French employment which has procured him reproof in recompense of his merit.

July. 87. Account of fees received at the Signet Office, during the month of July 1629: total, 117*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*

July. Office of Arms. 88. Grant of Arms by Sir Richard St. George, Clarencieux, to the Company of Silk Throwers of London. [*Copy.*]

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Aug. 1. Richmond. 1. Sir Robert Pye to Sec. Dorchester. A note of jewels of the late Duke of Buckingham impawned by him together with the King's jewels, has been delivered to the Secretary by Patrick Maule. Desires a warrant that Mr. Burlamachi may deliver them to her Grace when they are redeemed. [*See Vol.* cxlvii., *No.* 7.]

Aug. 1. Gravesend. 2. James Levingston to the same. Bids him farewell on departure from England.

Aug. 2. London. 3. Rich. Hurst to the same. Forwards a letter which he would have delivered, but for attendance on his dispatch touching money, in which he hopes for the Sec's aid.

Aug. 2. Sewthay [Southay] Lodge. 4. Mary Countess of Westmoreland [to the same.] Understands by her servant, Linn, that the Sec. has referred him to the Scottish Secretary. Knows that way to be much out of the way. Her man writes that he can by no means come to the speech of that Secretary. Prays him to intercede to procure the letter to Mr. Thos. Hope, the King's advocate, or to get back her letter from the Scottish Secretary, and keep it in one of his worst boxes for papers until she sees him.

Aug. 2. From Sec. Dorchester's House in Westminster. 5. Henry Lucas to the same. Reports what letters had arrived for the Sec. on Saturday and that day. Sir Francis Nethersole gave the writer an abstract of a letter from the Hague, which seems not to favour the former report, inclosed in a letter to Mr. Weckherlin to show the Sec., nor does it seem built upon any certain advertisement. In sending back the stag, was overruled by Margaret, who knew not what to do with it in Mr. Carpenter's absence. To-morrow morning is appointed by Sir Henry Marten, to hear the French merchants concerning the restitution of their

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goods. One difficulty arises out of the space of time which intervenes between the day of the peace and that of its proclamation. Prizes taken between those days having been since distributed through many hands, it will be as impossible to restore them all as meat eaten and digested. Another difficulty depends on the proclamation for prohibited goods. The French ought to be subject to it as well after the peace made as before peace was broken.

Aug. 3. Doctors' Commons. 6. Sir Henry Marten to Sec. Dorchester. Reports the nature of the French causes heard before him that day. In two doubtful cases terms of composition were rejected by the French with strange insolency and scorn. "Remember me to the King as you have opportunity, and let me know how his Majesty stands affected in my cause."

Aug. 3. Westminster. 7. Joshua Carpenter to the same. Sends a packet arrived by express messenger from the Hague. He makes no relation of the retirement of the enemy, but of their intrenchment, although in great want of victual. Grave Ernest has a great army to withstand them. Some speech of Tilly's army coming down, but it does not much trouble them. Mr. Lucas and the writer have been with Mr. Varne about Imbercourt, and are to meet him to-morrow at Sir Thos. Fanshe's [Fanshaw's], and after at the Commissioners. Hope to give him account on Wednesday.

Aug. 3. 8. Certificate of the Mayor of Plymouth that Tristram Browne, owner of the Endeavour of Plymouth, had made before him a recited affidavit relating to the circumstances of the capture of his ship by Captain Lassany, a Frenchman, and the amounts paid by Browne for redemption money.

Aug. 4. 9. Attorney General Heath to the King. On a complaint made by Mr. Bethell, one of the King's servants, he made a warrant against Southcot Hewes, and delivered it to King, one of the messengers of the Chamber. He found the gentleman in Lincoln's Inn walks. Out of respect to the place, he forbore to attach him; but when the messenger was quietly gone out of the gates into the streets, about thirty gentlemen fetched him into the house violently, pumped him, shaved him, and disgracefully used him, after they saw his warrant. Purposes to proceed roundly against the offenders, but thought it his duty to acquaint the King with the truth thereof. They are busy in examination of the late tumult, on the heels of which this comes over unseasonably.

Aug. 4. 10. Report of Sir Henry Marten to the Council on a petition of of Luc de la Roche, referred to him by their order (*see Vol.* cxlv., *No.* 49.) The petition prays for restoration of the John of Marennes, on security. Sir Henry reports that the ship was adjudged good prize in August, 1628, and was disposed of into many hands and small parcels, wherefore it cannot be restored. *Annexed,*

10. I. *Copy of the Order of Council of* 1629, *June* 26, *above referred to.*

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Aug. 4. 11. Modern copy of the preceding Report and Order of Council.

Aug. 4. Drayton. 12. Sir John Bingley to Sec. Dorchester. His wife has written very effectually. Heard a letter read that Sir P[aul] B[ayning] has left to his son, now fourteen, 8,000*l.* per annum in land, and 100,000*l.* in money at use, and 60,000*l.* to his four daughters. This estate requires a good guardian. The lady esteems very highly the Earl of Dorset, who is her cousin, and one Kirby, an Alderman's fellow in London, who was servant to old Mr. Bayning, is of great trust in the estate. Immediately the writer's wife hears from the lady she intends to go thither with her sister Goring.

Aug. 4. Fulham. 13. Bishop Laud to Bishop Dove, of Peterborough. The late Bishop of London sent him a number of printed briefs for making a collection through his diocese for the poor distressed ministers of the Palatinate. Prays him to advance the pious work, and return the moneys collected. [*Copy.*]

Aug. 4. Nicholas to John Ellzey. Sir Henry Marten says that if the Dutchman sold goods to supply himself with victuals, he ought not to pay tenths, but only custom and impost; but if he sold them to defraud his adventurers, tenths ought to be paid by the man-of-war and not by the buyer. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 79.]

Aug. 4. 14. Certificate of Sir Francis Willoughby and others that a person, whose name does not appear, having been employed by commission from the Earl of Holland in commanding 100 recruits at Exeter for eight weeks, may deserve an allowance of 10*l.* [*Imperfect.*]

Aug. 5. Whitehall. 15. Order of Council that the prize ship, the Gift of God, which has been at Portsmouth since December 1626, shall be forthwith sold and the proceeds be paid into the Exchequer.

Aug. 5. Ordnance Office. 16. Officers of the Ordnance to the Council. According to their order have made a collection of the number of all iron ordnance brought into the stores of that office since the commencement of his Majesty's reign. As to the number of all ordnance made and sold within the kingdom during that time they have given notice to George Hooker and the gunfounders to report thereon. *Inclose,*

16. I. *Certificate of cast iron ordnance brought into the stores of the ordnance. Total of pieces* 931, *of weight,* 1,143 *tons,* 8 *cwt.* 2 *qr.*

Aug. 5. 17. Henry Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, to Sec. Dorchester. Did not delay the business committed to him from the Board. Sent for others of that inquest and discovered the packing of all that business. Bonys, that made himself so innocent, was the man that promoted the business against the King's Chaplains for non-residency, and Fish of Stevenage was the party that penned the petition concerning the Muster-master, which was debated upon amongst the Grand Jury. It was their purpose to have indicted

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those high constables who made out warrants for levying money for the Muster-master, but they changed to go by way of petition, which they caused to be openly read in the Assizes time, where the first error was that it was let pass without a check. That they may feel the consequences of it he has put them into Mr. Attorney's hand. Should not have troubled him at such length, but perceives that the King looks for a [report].

Aug. 5. Canbury. 18. Lord Keeper Coventry to Sec. Dorchester. His letter of the 4th from Woking came to his hands that evening at seven, on his return from the Council board. Will give notice to the Lord Chief Justice and Mr. Attorney, and his own readiness shall not be wanting to accomplish his Majesty's commandment. Sec. Coke and the Master of the Wards join with the Lord Chief Justice and the King's Counsel to sift out the truth of that outrageous fact, and of another great outrage lately committed at Lincoln's Inn. They daily proceed, and hope to bring the matter to an issue with speed.

Aug. 5. 19. Philip Burlamachi to [the same?] Is there [in London] to transact business, which comprises the 2,000*l.* of the person whom he addresses. Reports the continuance of the siege of Bois le Duc and other incidents of the war in the Low Countries, partly derived from a letter of Capt. Floyd. Hopes to be at Court on Sunday next, when he will let him know what farther news may arrive. Those who have the pearls in pledge, lose patience, and tease Burlamachi's brother for power to sell. Fr.

Aug. 6. 20. Sec. Coke to the same. Ever since his departure the Master of the Wards and Sec. Coke have attended the Lord Chief Justice and the other Commissioners in the examination of the disorders in Fleet Street, the extravagant burial of the two persons executed, and a new insolency in Lincoln's Inn. They are near a conclusion, and he shall receive a particular account for the King's information. The Council have given order to the City for a more careful supply of powder and shot. They have also taken care to secure the highways about the city, which began to swarm with robbers.

Aug. 6. London. 21. The same to the same. Hastens an account to his Majesty of all their examinations. The grant to the French merchants sent therewith is recommended to the King by the Lord Treasurer and Council.

Aug. 6. 22. Petition of Wm. Boswell, vicar of the parish of St. Lawrence, in the Old Jewry, London, to Bishop Laud. Sets forth a variety of complaints against his parishioners, principally for usurping authority in parish matters which he contends to be rightly within his jurisdiction. Prays the Bishop to cause the parish book of acts and orders to be looked into, and that he may be allowed to remit himself for the reformation of the abuses complained of, wholly to the Bishop.

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Aug. 6. 23. Certificate of parishioners of St. Lawrence in the Old Jewry, London, to Bishop Laud, in behalf of William Boswell, their vicar for twelve years. Never heard of any objection to him greater than this, that for the reformation of disorders in the parish meetings he procured from the late Bishop an act for a selected vestry, for which they have taken from him 40*l.* per annum, by what power or equity the subscribers leave to his lordship's wisdom.

Aug. 6. 24. Wm. Boswell to the same. Statement of his particular desires in reference to his above-mentioned complaint.

Aug. 7. 25. Charles Lord Lambert, Sir Reginald Mohun, and Sir Barnard Grenville to Lord President Conway. Capt. Robert Rous and Thomas Hippisley having deposed that William Brookings had spoken some disgraceful words against his Majesty, they have sent up the depositions by William Wrey, who is also ready to certify the truth thereof.

Aug. 7. 26. Warrant from Lord Treasurer Weston to Sir Edw. Wardour, Clerk of the Pells, to certify what had come into the Exchequer yearly for the last ten years of the reign of King James, for respite of homage and fealty, reliefs, primer seizin or mesne rates, and marriage for the king's widows.

Aug. 7. London. 27. Sir James Bagg to Christopher Earl of Anglesea. The Red Lion, French prize, is about 120 tons, with six pieces of ordnance. Her tackle and hull are much impaired. Her value is 260*l.*

Aug. 7. 28. Petition of George and Henry Bray [to the Lord Keeper ?]. Henry Williams, of Truro, being lunatic, they pray for a grant of his custody, being his kind friends, and their endeavours only to "reduce him to his former temperature," and to preserve his estate. [*Underwritten is the answer; a commission of lunacy has been awarded, and the petitioners are allowed to be competitors, and are to attend at a sitting named.*] [*Copy.*]

Aug. 8. 29. Petition of the Masters or Governors of the Mystery of Barbers and Surgeons of London to the King. On a former petition the King gave order for renewal of their ancient charters, with such further privileges as might conduce to the purposes mentioned in that petition. Petitioners have, by advice of the Attorney General, found that the further privileges mentioned in the schedule annexed are requisite, wherefore they present them for the King's allowance. *Annexed,*

29. I. *Statement of fourteen particulars to be provided for in the new barber-surgeons' charter, with a clause substituted and one added by the Lord Keeper.*

Written under the petition,

29. II. *Order for the Attorney General to prepare a bill for a new charter as desired, the King being informed that the differences between the physicians, apothecaries, and barber-surgeons are agreed by the Lord Keeper. Oatlands,* 1629, *Aug.* 8.

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Aug. 8. 30. Lord President Conway to Richard Jolliffe, Deputy Vice Admiral of the Isle of Wight, excepting Cowes Castle. The keeping of Admiralty Courts having been long neglected there, whereby many offences are daily committed, he is required to keep that Court, at fitting times and places, according to ancient custom. [*Underwritten is a memorandum that a similar letter was written to William Towerson for co. Hants,* 1630, *May* 14.] [*Copy*].

Aug. 8. Basings in Peckham. 31. Sir Thos. Gardyner to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for former noble favours to his son in Italy, and for his promise to remember his Majesty for his wonted favour in sending the writer fat venison in melon time. Sends four melons, and when he shall send to the King, will not fail Dorchester.

Aug. 8. Westminster. 32. Sir Francis Nethersole to [Sec. Dorchester]. When he took leave of the King at Theobald's, his Majesty said he would give the Lord Treasurer command to dispatch Sir Francis and Burlamachi with all speed. Finds it will be above a week or a fortnight before Burlamachi be dispatched. The writer beseeches Dorchester to procure him the King's letters, that he may at last go hence.

Aug. 9. 33. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Waiting yesterday on his Majesty, he left for the Sec. the draft of a letter to the Governor of Virginia, Sir John Harvey, which he prays may be sent. Now incloses a warrant to put the great seal to a sale of lands of the crown to Sir Allen Apsley. Prays him to procure the King's signature.

Aug. 9. 34. Bishop Laud to the same. Dr. Owen, named to the Bishop [ric] of St. Asaph, leaving his living in Northamptonshire to the King's disposal, and having no commendam but the Archdeaconry, which has for so many years gone with the Bishop[ric], the King grants that he may have the corn now upon the ground, being the tithe of the Archdeaconry. Prays him to take care that no other suit come between to defeat Dr. Owen.

Aug. 9. Tottenham. 35. Sec. Coke to Lord Chief Justice Hyde. Being sent for to the Court at Oatlands, he gave account of the three businesses which they examined at Sergeant's Inn. For the first [the tumult in Fleet Street], both the King and the Lords hold it strange that it is found but a riot, considering that after proclamation by his Majesty's lieutenant, resistance was made, blood shed, a barricado raised, and capitulations required, all which have ever been found capital offences. The King commanded the Sec. to tell the Lord Chief Justice, that his eye is not on any man for revenge of his particular offence, but on the duty of a King and the ministers of his justice, for the preservation of government. He will not prosecute a matter of this nature in the Star Chamber, and so publish to the world that his government may be opposed without further danger or penalty than a fine; but if our laws admit no other proceedings, his Majesty will have it prosecuted no further, rather than make such a precedent to encourage rebellion. He is to take the case into consideration,

and confer with the Lord Keeper, that his Majesty may receive a full answer. The second offence, the pompous burial of the persons executed, and the third case, that of Lincoln's Inn, the King requires to be carefully prosecuted in the Star Chamber.

Aug. 10. Oatlands. 36. Order of the King, on a petition of the Bailiffs and Magistrates of Yarmouth, praying that they may be allowed to proceed, according to ancient custom, in the election of their bailiffs. The King consents for this year, because the time fixed by charter, being the 29th inst., will not permit the trial of "this cause;" but the Attorney General is to continue his proceeding. [*Draft.*]

Aug. 10. 37. Account of payments ordered to be made in anticipation of the ordinary revenue, total 206,698*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*

Aug. 11. Oatlands. 38. James Earl of Carlisle, to Sec. Dorchester. Baroccio and Size are very instant to procure the dispatch of his Majesty's own letters, with which the Earl begs the Secretary to oblige them, and also to remember little Oliver, that he may be sent away to his employment. His industrious faithful service will yield the Secretary good satisfaction.

Aug. 11. Canbury. 39. Lord Keeper Coventry to the same. States his proceedings between the Barber surgeons, the College of Physicians, and the Apothecaries. No just exception can be taken to the book, as it is now penned, which he certifies to give his Majesty satisfaction.

Aug. 11. Great Bircham. 40. John Hassall, Dean of Norwich to the same. Something exemplary done upon this place [Yarmouth] may prove of great consequence with all great towns corporate, upon whom, though Amsterdam do not breathe so hot as it does upon Yarmouth, through vicinity and continual intercourse of trade, yet the same faction, even amongst them, being more generally prevalent than were to be wished, perhaps the instance of Yarmouth reduced may prove very medicinal. The course intended by his Majesty is incomparably the best that could be conceived, for settling a peaceable government in that distracted town, and he submits that his Majesty, in nominating the next bailiffs, should make choice of such as have been most zealous of that course, amongst whom is the now bailiff, Benjamin Cooper.

Aug. 11. Trinity College, Cambridge. 41. Bishop Mawe, of Bath and Wells to Henry Earl of Holland. Thanks for communicating to him that the King dispenses with his personal residence in one of his episcopal houses, for recovery of his health, and that it is his pleasure that the Bishop should quit Trinity College at the time prefixed. Recommends Thomas Randolph, B.A., one of extraordinary parts of wit and learning, and so approved by the whole University that scarce an age brings forth a better or the like. If he had been capable of a fellowship at the last election the writer had certainly provided for him, but not being so he begs the Earl to procure for him His Majesty's mandatory letter. He has no friends to solicit for him, but the Bishop of Lincoln under whom he was bred at Westminster, and the writer under whom he has lived four years in Trinity College.

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Aug. 12. Wentworth Woodhouse.

42. Thomas Viscount Wentworth, Lord President of the Council of the North, to the Council. Having been required to suppress some supposed riots near to Hatfield Chace, in disturbance of Sir Cornelius Vermuyden's work there, he reports that no disturbance has been given him in that county: so that if Sir Cornelius has informed any such thing he has abused the Council with an untruth and deserves reprehension. If any such were it happened in Lincolnshire, forth of the limits of that Commission.

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43. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. William Jones, who has lived long in the Court, on the recommendation of the Duke of Richmond was taken into the service of Lord Conway, who afterwards transferred him to Sec. Coke. There is owing to him 147*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* from the King, for satisfaction whereof he is suitor for a Star Chamber fine. In Sec. Coke's absence the Lord President recommends his suit to Sec. Dorchester.

Aug. 12. Bramshill.

44. Henry Earl of Holland to Sec. Dorchester. At the request of the King of Sweeden, Capt. Carmill Douardt has leave to levy 300 men in Ireland for the service of that King. Urges expedition in his dispatch.

Aug. 12. London.

45. James Earl of Carlisle to Sec. Dorchester. The King expects the French Ambassador at Oxford, which he requests the Sec. to make known to the Vice Chancellor, that they be not surprised, but provided to give him such entertainment as becomes his quality and the honour of the University. Begs him to dispatch the bearer to his ancient humble servant, Lord Wake. Will not stir out of town till he has acquitted himself of the trust which the Sec. has reposed in him for his particular service.

Aug. 12. Lennox House.

46. George Earl of Kildare to the same, his kinsman. Thanks him for giving his helping hand in passing the writer's wardship to the Earl of Cork. Seeing my lady Duchess [of Lennox] is willing to part with him, he thinks she cannot put him into a man's hands that can do him more good. Desires that he may continue at Oxford to enjoy the company of the Earl of Cork's son.

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47. Thomas Viscount Wentworth to Attorney General Heath There is "cumd" into his hands a paper spread abroad by a recusant of great consequence to the effect that the Attorney General had declared that the Northern Commission for recusants was in the nature of a sub-commission to that in the South. This will do great prejudice to the service, the recusants hoping to scape better where their estates are not so well known as they are there; and they have reason, for Mr. Gascoigne of Barnbow, a man of 1,000*l.* a year, has compounded for 60*l.* a year after he had compounded with Lord Savile for 100*l.* a year. Philip Anne, a gentleman of 500*l.* per annum compounded for 20*l.* a year, although his father ever paid 80*l.*, and Mr. Chomley, a man of 800*l.* a year, compounded for 25*l.*, although he has all his brother's land, who paid 120*l.*, a year during his life, and all his own to boot. Begs him to declare this

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point that they may disprove the scattered paper. If when they hold them to it there, the recusants may "have that back-set to chop up and compound above," the writer will instantly deliver up his interest in the Commission.

Aug. 12. 48. Certificate of George Wilson and two others of the sufficiency of Richard Cook, son of William Cook, one of the Masters of Attendance, to be boatswain of one of the King's smaller ships. [*Underwritten is a further certificate of Wm. Burrell and Phineas Pett, of Richd. Cook's competency to be boatswain of the St. Claude, or any ship of that rank.* 1630, *May* 1.]

Aug. 12. 49. Certificate for Sir Edward Wardour, Clerk of the Pells, that 6,411*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.* had been paid into the Exchequer for respite of homage during the last ten years of the reign of King James.

Aug. 12. 50. Similar certificate that 1,306*l.* 10*s.* 10½*d.* had been paid in for reliefs. No moneys paid in under the heads of primer-seizins, mesne rates, and marriages of the King's wards.

Aug. 12. King Street, Westminster. 51. Vow made by Edw. Nicholas that he would give to the poor and for pious uses, a certain per centage of his income, varying according to the nature of the source whence it was derived; five per cent. from his official income, six per cent. out of any leases for years or lives; eight per cent. out of profits of land or interest of money.

Aug. 12. 52. Inventory by Richard Dike of Admiralty Tenths of goods brought into the port of London by Captain John Greene, of the Revenge of Dover, taken out of two prizes, one a Spanish vessel, and the other a French vessel called the St. Mary of St. Giles.

Aug. 12. Leghorn. 53. ——— to Mr. Sherrington. Reports the sale of certain goods, and requests instructions as to the disposition of the proceeds.

Aug. 13. From Lord Dorchester's house in Westminster. 54. Henry Lucas to Sec. Dorchester. Received the inclosed from Burlamachi that night. It contains the assurance of the news of which Mr. Dacres brought first advertisement. Put it into the post's hand the same hour it came. Sends also the establishments for Ireland, old and new, with a letter from Mr. Bingley. *Incloses,*

54. I. *Philip Burlamachi to Sec. Dorchester. Rumours are not always false. Amersfort has been surrendered in a cowardly manner by the governor and burgomasters. Wesel was taken by Count de Styrum and Mons. van Diedem, with* 1400 *musketeers and* 600 *horse, who, having passed the ditch and rampart, were repulsed, but rallied, re-charged, and were successful, taking the governor prisoner and cutting the garrison in pieces.* 1629, *August* 13.

Aug. 13. 55. Vice-Chancellor and Senate of Cambridge to Bishop Laud. Crave his assistance in reference to the living of Hallingbury Morley,

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co. Essex, in the Bishop's diocese. The presentation belonged to a lady who was a recusant convict. It was consequently by law vested in the University of Cambridge.

Aug. 13. Canbury. 56. Copy of Letters Patent whereby various rents and lands were granted to Queen Henrietta Maria in augmentation of her jointure and dower. The lands comprised the parks, amongst others, of Greenwich, Oatlands and Isleworth, and the manors of Edmonton, Twickenham, Holdenby, co. Northampton, King's Norton, co. Worcester, Rowington and Hampton in Arden, co. Warwick, Spalding, Holbeach, Grantham, and Barton upon Humber co. Lincoln, with many others. The lands were conveyed to Henry Earl of Holland, High Steward of the Queen's Revenues; Edward Earl of Dorset, Lord Chamberlain of her household; Thomas Viscount Savage, Chancellor and Keeper of her great seal; Sir Robert Aiton, her principal Secretary; Sir Richard Wynn, her Treasurer and Receiver General; Sir Thomas Hatton, her Surveyor, and Sir John Finch, her Attorney General.

Aug. 14. 57. Petition of Henry Miles and Capt. John Mason, Treasurer for the late army, to the King. The late King on 9 Oct. 1617 granted to the petitioner Miles and to John Ferrour and John Freind, for their lives, the office of General Remembrance of divers Records for the ease of the King's subjects in their searches. The Parliament after investigation voted that the same was no grievance, but the establishment thereof has been neglected by reason of the absence of petitioner Miles and the death of the other two patentees. In consideration of Miles's past expenses in connexion with this grant, and that Mason has forborne since 1610 the sum of 2,238*l.* disbursed in the Hebrides or Redshanks Islands for reducing the inhabitants to obedience, petitioners pray for a renewal of the late King's grant to them and John White. *Underwritten,*

57. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a book for the King's signature, if he finds nothing in the request of the petitioners contrary to his Majesty's service or the law. Bagshot,* 1629, *August* 14.

Aug. 14. Yarmouth. 58. Benjamin Cooper, one of the bailiffs of Yarmouth, and six of the aldermen of Yarmouth to the Council. On presenting the order of the Council for restoring George Hardware to his place of alderman, divers of the assembly refused to obey the same, and denied either to restore Hardware or to put out Thomas Crane unduly placed in his room. Pray the Council to take some course therein. They send a list of the principal ringleaders of the opposition.

Aug. 14. Ragley. 59. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Reports arrangements respecting Lord Conway's horses and preparation of beer in anticipation of a visit he was about to pay to Ragley. The payment of a mortgage of 1,000*l.* in London on the 22nd inst. on account of his brother may occasion the writer to be absent.

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Aug. 14. Yarmouth. 60. Benjamin Cooper bailiff of Yarmouth to Sec. Dorchester. In compliance with the King's letter (1629, *July* 10., *Vol.* cxlvi., *No.* 54.) sends names of all the aldermen with the names of those eight which in their esteem are fittest to be bailiffs, humbly attending the recommendation of such two as his Majesty shall hold most worthy.

Aug. 14. Yarmouth. 61. Benjamin Cooper bailiff and four aldermen of Yarmouth to the same. Beg him to solicit the King to recommend for election as bailiffs George Hardware and Thomas Meadowe, than whom none are more forward to do what may be available for effecting his Majesty's course. The factious side has grown so audacious refractory as to resist the Council's order for restoring Mr. Hardware. The Attorney General and the Dean of Norwich will second the Sec's. solicitation to the King on their behalf.

Aug. 14. Drury Lane. 62. Katherine Duchess of Lennox to Sec. Dorchester. On his suggestion and by the good liking of the Earl of Kildare, the King's ward, and Lady Joan Boyle, one of the daughters of the Earl of Cork, that Earl and the Duchess have entered into an agreement for their marriage. There will be no impediment unless Mr. Richard Talbot of Malahide and the other feoffees of the Earl of Kildare's estate shall be refractory. That this agreement may take the better effect, solicits his Majesty's letters to the Lord Chancellor of Ireland in a form inclosed.

Aug. 14. Petworth. 63. Henry Earl of Northumberland, to Sec. Dorchester. Is sorry of the Secretary's "invalidyte" but hopes it prognosticates riches towards him, for so the common proverb runs. Sorry it has put by the occasion of their meeting. Hopes time will bring it about again that they may "rememorate" some old passages and laugh at what is past, joy at the present, and hope for better to come, which none shall be gladder of than his old master.

Aug. 14. Westminster. 64. Sir Francis Nethersole to the same. Shall have the Lord Treasurer's dispatch to-morrow. Begs that he may presently receive his Majesty's letters to the King and Queen of Bohemia.

[Aug. 14 ?] 65. Philip Burlamachi to the same. The warrant for the convoy does not come. Longs to be there and back again. Sends a draft of the warrant to the Attorney General for the patent, which he begs the Sec. to communicate to the Lord Treasurer, and expedite the affair, in accordance with his message by Mr. Lucas.

Aug. 14. Taunton. 66. Sir John Walter, Lord Chief Baron, and Sir John Denham, Baron of the Exchequer, to the same. Being at the Assizes, co. Somerset, they found James Priest, committed for speaking words concerning his Majesty's person. They took the examinations of John Hooper, his accuser, and also of Priest, and send the same for grave consideration. Priest is a very miserable poor man; he has been in prison since March last; he can neither read nor write. *Inclosed,*

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66. I. *Examination of James Priest, taken before the writers of the preceding letter, and Sir John Stowell, Sheriff of the county. Served as a soldier in the Low Countries; said in the house of John Hooper, two miles distant from Wells, that if the Duke had lived there would have been alteration in religion; and if that should come to pass there would be no expectation for the Puritans of any thing else but fire and faggot; denies that he spake more of the King than that if the Duke had lived he would have been ruler of this kingdom. Taunton,* 1629, *August* 14.

Aug. 14. Charing Cross. 67. Sir Francis Cottington to [Sec. Dorchester]. Sends him papers of Lord Antrim, and some others from the Lord Treasurer, amongst which he will find Lord Wimbledon's letter. Explains the nature of the grant to Lord Antrim. The half of felon's goods is granted him on an increased rent of 20*l.* per annum. He or his son will attend the Sec. about it. Very probable advertisement that the States have surprised Wesel. Burlamachi is dispatched.

Aug. 15. King Street. 68. Nicholas to the same. Sends account of what ships are now at sea and in what employments. The Lion and two other ships were appointed to convoy the cloth ships for Hamburgh. They have sailed without notice to the King's ships, and now some malevolent persons amongst them give out that the King's ships could not go with them for want of victuals. So apt are all men to lay scandals on the King's services in these bad times. *Incloses,*

68. I. *List of ships at present at sea, and in what employments*

Aug. 15. King Street. 69. The same to the same. Capt. Duppa, (brother to the Dean of Christchurch) has desired the writer to acquaint the Secretary that, on the 30th May, three French men of war took the James, a new English ship, of 200 tons, and 20 pieces of ordnance, whereof Capt. Duppa and others are owners, on the Coast of Barbary, the ship and goods being worth about 24,000*l.* The owners desire that letters may be written to Sir Thos. Edmondes, Ambassador in France, and the like procured from the French Ambassador here, that as soon as the James shall be brought into France she may be sequestered for the English owners. One Fantres of Guernsey, also reports that five French men of war on 17 June, took, off the Canaries, an English ship of 200 tons with 14 pieces of ordnance, called the Bride, notwithstanding our mariners told them of the peace. The taking of Wesel still reported with confidence.

[Aug. 15?] 70. Sec. Dorchester to Lord President Conway. Lord Conway's "ungracious son" whom Lord Dorchester "loves so ill," parted yesterday from Bagshot with the Sec's. letters, because he could tell Lord Conway the first news of the capture of Wesel. Sends him a copy of the dispatch, it being a success which must be taken as the blessing of God. The town was formerly a nursery of our religion, and the recovery of it is *salus negotii.* [*Modern copy from an original formerly among the Conway Papers.*]

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1629, Aug. 15. 71. Sir Francis Willoughby and Sir James Scott to Wm. Boswell. Some officers were paid several sums under the title of Reformado officers. They now require their arrears. Think the auditors of imprests should be required to make up their accounts. [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

71. I. *Draft of the order to the auditors of the imprests above requested.* 1629, *August* 19.

Aug. 15. 72. Order of the Board of Green Cloth [?] that in consequence of the decay of the town of Bridgewater, that town shall hereafter pay for itself and the tything of Heygrove, no more than one eighth part of the sum assessed upon the hundred of North Petherton, towards furnishing the provision for his Majesty's household. [*Underwritten is a confirmation of this order on the 9th December,* 1633.]

Aug. 16. 73. Petition of William Connock, one of the King's huntsmen, to the King. In October last, the king granted the petitioner trees to the value of 100*l.* in the forest of Gillingham, and trees were appraised to the petitioner in consequence by the Commissioners. These trees have since been sold by him for 90*l.* more, and he is now called upon for the overplus. Prays that he may have the trees and the overplus. *Underwritten,*

73. I. *Order that the petitioner may enjoy the overplus gained by his industry, as well as the* 100*l. formerly granted to him. Bromsell* [*Bramshill*]. 1629, *August* 16.

Aug. 16. 74. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Comments on the refusal of the town of Yarmouth, to comply with the order of the Council to restore Mr. Hardware. The writer was directed to mediate between them touching their next election, but could not prevail at all. There is a great party in the town of sectaries, adverse to all government but their own popular way, which must be reformed. Beseeches him to take it into his care. The government of the whole stands but upon the well ordering of the parts.

Aug. 16. Putney. 75. Philip Burlamachi to the same. Urges the despatch of his instructions. The Sec. will see what they write from Amsterdam. Fears that everything will be lost by delay.

Aug. 17. Charlton. 76. Thos. Earl of Berkshire, to the same. Thanks for his good news, which was the best cheer the writer had to present to his noble guests. Wishes he had his company with the rest of the noble troop at that poor place.

Aug. 17. Lord Dorchester's house at Westminster. 77. Henry Lucas to the same The Duchess of Lennox sent for him, and stated to him various reasons why the Earl of Kildare should not settle at Oxford. The bargain with the Earl of Cork depends upon a third party's consent; and she ought not, therefore, so soon to dispossess herself of the person and care of her ward, especially to Lord Cork, whose near alliance with Lord Digby, "a concurrent with that Earl for his honour and fortunes, and heir unto them both," is not balanced with any relation to Lord Kildare. Mr. Randolph and his brother think she speaks reason.

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Aug. 18. Southampton. 78. Thos. Wulfris and N. Dingley to the Council. Notwithstanding the proclamation prohibiting sale of shipping to foreigners, they inform him of three instances of such presumed sales, in which cases they intend to stay the ships, until the pleasure of the King or their Lordships be known.

Aug. 18. Sittingbourne. 79. Sir Thos. Walsingham to Sec. Dorchester. The Charity, of Flushing, and other ships, being laden with corn for export, at Harty, in Kent, the country much grieved thereat, by reason of the great price of corn. The license for this export was granted in April last to Abraham Rutter, to continue until June next. Conceives the proclamation in May last nullified this license, wherefore he has sent a warrant to stay the ships, until the pleasure of the King or the Council be known.

Aug. 18. Westminster. 80. Joshua Carpenter to the same. Reports how they have executed his directions respecting a suit [of clothes]. Searched Cheapside and Lombard Street, and could find nothing near the colour he desired. Has been with Sir Henry Vane for moneys for Lord Dorchester; but he says Carpenter must have patience till the beginning of next month. All well there and at Imbercourt. Mrs. Alice Carleton sends her duty.

Aug. 19. 81. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. To prepare for the King's signature a commission in a form above written. The commission is from the King to Burlamachi, and authorizes him to make certain arrangements for the redemption of jewels and plate pawned at Amsterdam.

Aug. 19. Banbury. 82. Lord President Conway to Sir William Becher, one of the Clerks of the Council. Mons. Joachimi, ambassador from the United Provinces, having applied for license to transport 500 lasts of corn out of Norfolk into the Low Countries, for supply of the States Army, and there being certificates from that county that the price is under the statute, Becher is directed to make out an order similar to one lately granted in the like kind.

Aug. 19. King Street. 83. Nicholas to Sec. Dorchester. Overjoyed with the Secretary's acceptance of his lines. The ships appointed to transport the soldiers from Guernsey to Flushing are not yet returned, albeit they passed by the Downs about ten days since. On complaint of defectiveness of provisions in the Lion, she has been idle at Lee these three weeks, and now certificate is returned that the complaint was causeless. Supposes the Sec. will take some course to have exemplary punishment inflicted on those that by false complaint have not only hindered, but very much scandalized, his Majesty's service, and the Lords of the Admiralty.

[Aug. 19.?] Eton College. 84. Sir Henry Wotton to the same. Begs him, when the Court shall be at Windsor, to excuse Sir Henry's absence. He is summoned into Kent, to be there at his niece Stanhope's good time. They have passed over the most troublesome election that has ever been, since that nurse first gave milk, overcharged with their dutiful desire to

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satisfy all the King's letters, which were no less than four recommendatory, and one mandatory, besides messengers and intercessions from divers great personages. Of this he must sadly discourse with the Sec. for the good of the College, when the Court shall be fixed; it is *opus quietis*. In the meantime, they have contented all his Majesty's desires one way or other, the most actually, the rest by promise, and thinks there never was made a better choice. They have nominated to Cambridge boys of singular hope.

Aug. 20. 85. Petition of John Caus and Tristram Browne, owners of the Endeavour, of Plymouth, to the Council. Their ship, of 44 tons, laden with coals, was, on the 13th June last, surprised by Capt. Lassany, and carried into Brest, where Browne travailed in vain to recover his ship and goods. After two months' solicitation, he was forced to buy back his ship at her full value, to the clear loss to the petitioners of 80*l.*, which, being contrary to the articles of peace, they pray compensation.

Aug. 20. 86. Bishop Mountague, of Chichester, to the Lord Treasurer, Chancellor, and Barons of the Exchequer. Return of sums uncollected within his diocese, by his sub-collector, Henry Browne, on account of the second payment of the three subsidies, payable on the first of June last past. Prays for the customary exemption of certain officers of Chichester cathedral, assessed at 15*l.* 10*s.*

Aug. 22. Middle Temple. 87. Richard Hadsor to Sec. Dorchester. On 17th April 1613 the Lord Chancellor of Scotland and Archibald Lord Napier, Vice-Treasurer of that country, were bound in 600*l.* as sureties for a debt of 256*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.* due from the late Earl of Desmond to Alderman Lumley. 450*l.* was ultimately paid by the Lord Chancellor and Lord Napier on this bond. Thomas Kitchenman and his son John, administrators of the goods of the Earl in Ireland, have given bond for payment of the 450*l.* Incloses a letter, to be signed by the King, directing the head governors of Ireland to take order that the administrators should pay the amount out of the first money they should receive in that country. *Inclosed,*

87. I. *Certificate of Alderman Sir Martin Lumley, that he received on the 4th August inst. the 450l. above mentioned.*

Aug. 23. 88. The King to the Town of Yarmouth. Requires them, in obedience to the Council's order, to restore Hardware immediately and recommends to them Thomas Meadowe and Robert Norgate for election as bailiffs.

[Aug. 23?] Westminster. 89. Sir Francis Nethersole to [Sec. Dorchester.] Recommends to him the inclosed application. The ships which are to take over the writers and their companies are also to convoy Mr. Burlamachi. Capt. Rainsford is Sir Francis's wife's cousin-german. *Incloses,*

89. I. *Capts. William* [?] *Killigrew and Francis Rainsford to the same. The rumour that they should go to the Low Countries*

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seized so upon some base spirits that many of their troops fled from Jersey into Normandy, and others hid themselves about the rocks. Of their 200 *they have on board but* 140. *Solicit authority to press* 60 *men to make their companies complete hundreds. Their ships lie in the Downs and have provisions for* 10 *days. London, August* 14.

Aug. 24. London. 90. Wm. Briard to Nicholas. In case the partners of the Mary of Masterland stir to procure a warrant to fetch him up by a pursuivant, prays Nicholas to present the inclosed petition. On receipt of his money with compensation, his brother Henry De Vic and himself will be very thankful. *Annexed,*

90. I. *Petition of Wm. Briard to the Lords of the Admiralty. Was employed by John Delabarre about the Mary of Masterland, and her goods brought into Poole. In obedience to their order to restore the same to Eric Turgessen, he has given up the ship and some of the goods, and has offered to give up the remainder on payment of* 40*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.*, *balance of* 90*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.*, *which Delabarre refuses to pay. Prays them to take order for his satisfaction.*

Aug. 24. Bristol. 91. Thos. Chamber to Sir Francis Willoughby, at the Countess of Dorset's house in Great St. Bartholomew's. Thanks for news from the Netherlands. The Whelps and Sir Thos. Button are now in the Irish seas. Coming about the Land's End, Sir Thos. found four Dunkirkers chasing a Welsh collier, whom he relieved and took one of the Dunkirkers. Also two Bristol men of war brought in a Frenchman, a [Newfoundland] Banker, which with another Frenchman had set upon the Elizabeth of Bristol and would have sunk her, but for the Fortune of Bristol coming up to her help. It will be about Michaelmas ere any good ships will go to Ireland for pilchards.

Aug. 26. Bristol. 92. Mayor of Bristol to Wm. Earl of Pembroke, Lord Lieutenant. He had, with the assistance of Capt. Thos. Carne, taken a muster of the trained bands and caused all defects to be supplied. *Incloses,*

92. I *Muster roll for Bristol:—total, three companies of* 100 *men each.*

Aug. 26. London. 93. Certificate of John Dalbier that Sir Francis Willoughby had a company in the army of Count Mansfeldt and that there was due to him 1,400 francs on that account.

Aug. 28. North Berwick. 94. Sir John Hume to Lord President Conway. The Lord Chancellor [of Scotland] has appointed Sept. 10, to confer with the writer on the business of the letter of Lord Conway (*see Vol.* cxliv, *Nos.* 23, 25.) Sir John has written to his son to come down into Scotland and then they will conclude the business. Sir George shall return with the conveyances and deliver them to his mistress out of

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his own hand. Suggests that one half of the lady's fortune should be assured out of Sir John's lands in Scotland and the other half out of his estate in Ireland.

Aug. 29. Commission to Philip Burlamachi for the sale of 4,000 tons of iron ordnance to the States General, and with the monies thereby arising to redeem divers jewels and plate of his Majesty and the late Duke of Buckingham, the said Philip Burlamachi governing himself, in acting under this Commission by instructions signed by the king. [*Docquet.*]

[Aug. 29.] 95. The King to Philip Burlamachi. Instructions mentioned in the preceding article. He is to sell 4,000 tons of iron ordnance to the States General at the price of 120,000*l.*, whereout they are to redeem the King's jewels and plate which will amount to 58,400*l.*; and also the collar and rich ballasses pawned to the king of Denmark for 12,500*l.* They are, also, to furnish the Queen of Bohemia with 12,000*l.* for payment of her debts, and to retain the overplus (37,100*l.*) on account of the King's debt to them of 65,000*l.* On the other hand, the States are indebted to the King 180,000*l.*, for the expenses of 6,000 men maintained in their service. Burlamachi is to propose to set the demands on each side against one another, and so to close all accounts, provided the States will redeem the jewels and plate pawned by Sir Sackville Crow and Philip Calandrini. The jewels and plate being thus redeemed, Burlamachi is instructed to melt down some pieces of plate of massive gold and other old plate, and therout to pay the king's debts to Count Ernest of Nassau, and Philip Calandrini, and to pay to Colonel Peblis 500*l.*, and to John Dalbier 1,200*l.* If the States do not accept the terms offered Burlamachi is to inform them that the King will not be able to maintain the regiment of Sir Charles Morgan in their service.

Aug. 29. 96. Commissioners of Sewers for co. Lincoln to the King. Received the King's letters by Sir Anthony Thomas, whom the King recommended with others, as undertakers for draining the overflown grounds of those parts. They think the work very fit to be done, but that the surrounded grounds should be set out by the Commissioners, and a tax be set by them according to the quantity and and value thereof, or otherwise as the Commissioners can make a bargain betwixt the country and the undertakers. They will be ready to assist the undertakers in lawful things to the extent of their commission.

Aug. 29. Exeter. 97. Mayor and others of Exeter to Wm. Earl of Pembroke, Lord Steward. Danger on their Western coasts where the Dunkirkers and French men-of-war continually lie so that their goods are daily taken at the mouths of their harbours. They have sent Nicholas Spicer to petition for some of his Majesty's ships to guard their coasts, and desire him to favour and prefer their petition.

Aug. 29. 98. Petition of Nicholas Spicer, on behalf of himself and other the merchants of Exeter, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Set forth

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their losses mentioned in the preceding article, and pray them to give order for the suppression of the Dunkirkers, or to appoint a King's ship, with one of the Whelps, to safeguard and waft English ships returning home.

Aug. 30. London. 99. Edw. Earl of Dorset, to Sec. Dorchester. The sickness of his eldest son, and the duty of seeing a deserving wife once in a month, having made him steal from Court for a few days, he prays the Sec. to present Sir Kenelm Digby to his Majesty, that he may pay his thanks for a favour granted on the Earl's motion. Out of obedience he has procured a licence, which divulged to others, will teach refractory persons the same way of respect and submission.

Aug. 31. 100. Petition of Jacob Johnson, diver, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having a warrant from their Lordships for recovery of silver, ordnance, and other things, sunk in his Majesty's seas, he has been forbidden to use his endeavour at Dartmouth, by the Mayor and Town Clerk. Prays a warrant for bringing them before their Lordships.

Aug. 31. Magdalen College, Oxford. 101. Dr. Accepted Frewen to Sec. Dorchester. Sends copies of all the speeches made to his Majesty whilst he was in those parts, except Dr. Duppa's, which the Earl of Dorset has already. If he expects likewise copies of the sermons, they shall be forthcoming. Sends also a map of the space betwixt St. Mary's and the schools.

Aug. 31. 102. Inventory by Wm. Drake, of tenths, of the Lady of the Good Voyage, taken by the ketch, Capt. Peter Wright, and of the Frances of Penecha, taken by the Eleanor, of Weymouth, Capt. Wm. Simpson.

Aug. 103. Petition of Humphrey Slaney, Abraham Chamberlayne, the elder, Nicholas Crispe, Abraham Chamberlayne, jun., Thos. Chamberlayne, Robert South, and others, to the Council. Complain of the capture of the Benediction and the James Bonaventure, by the French since the peace, and pray for redress.

Aug. 104. Petition of the persons that served in the train of Artillery in the expedition for Cadiz to the same. Lord Valentia received out of the Exchequer 2,074*l.* 17*s.*, to pay the train of Artillery, according to a book signed by the Earl of Totness, but going into Ireland immediately afterwards, there detains the most part of their pays. Pray for letters to the Chief Justices of Ireland, to examine the Viscount how much of the 2,074*l.* 17*s.* he has paid away.

Aug. 105. Sir Geo. Hume to Lord President Conway. A poor gentleman's trunk has been taken away by a pursuivant, called Cross, on pretence it was a priest's. It is said to have been delivered into the hands of the Bishop of London. The owner is in great distress for his money and clothes taken. Prays a letter to the Bishop to deliver the same.

[Aug. ?] 106. Edw. Earl of Dorset to Sec. Dorchester. Loves those whom nature has made near to him, so dearly well, that he esteems it one

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of his best fortunes to have the opportunity to do them service. The Sec. has increased his obligations to him in choosing him for an instrument in placing so great a happiness as himself on a kinswoman the Earl so much loves and honours. In wishing her to be the Secretary's, thinks he deserves much of her. Will omit no industry to effect his desires.

[Aug. ?] 107. Philip Burlamachi to Sec. Dorchester. Went to the Court yesterday to kiss his hands and take leave, but found that he was absent and troubled with the gout. The King urged his departure. Begs the Sec. to despatch the various letters which relate to his negociation. Is much afraid that all his endeavours to preserve the jewels will be in vain for want of money.

Aug. 108. Robert Earl of Lindsey, to the same. Peter Rochefort, a Frenchman, by profession a tailor, is desirous, for assurance of his religion and life, to make his abode in England, and is a suiter to be a free denizen. Begs the Sec. to show him favour.

[Aug. ?] 109. Sir John Carleton to the same, his uncle. Fears he has overslipt his attendance on the Sec. since the progress is so far gone, but if he will command him he shall be glad of the occasion. Musters and the preverseness of men in that service have taken up so much of his time, notwithstanding the letters of the Council, that he could not well be spared.

Aug. 110. Lord President Conway to Sir John Hume. Delay by the mis-accident of the man to whom Conway addressed his directions in Ireland, being come away for England. Accepts a settlement of 1,200*l.* a year on the issue of the marriage, with 500*l.* a year present maintenance, and 500*l.* a year jointure. Will give 2,500*l.* portion; 1,000*l.* to be paid on marriage, 1,000*l.* in twelvemonths, and 500*l.* after his decease. Refers to the Lord Chancellor of Scotland, and Lord Menteith, Lord President of the Council, to settle for the lands in Scotland, and to Robert Dixon, and Mr. Pollexfen, for those in Ireland. *Unsigned.*

Aug. 111. Draft of the same.

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Sept. 1. Windsor. 1. The King to the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford, Dr. Prideaux, Regius Professor of Divinity, Dr. Duppa, Dean of Christchurch, Dr. Bancroft, Master of University College, Dr. Juxon, Dean of Worcester, and Warden of St. John's, Sir Nathaniel Brent, Warden of Merton, Dr. Zouch, Professor of Civil Law, and Principal of Alban Hall, and Henry Briggs, Mathematical Reader. Certain houses, situate betwixt St. Mary's Church and the schools, and betwixt All Souls and Brasenose, in some kind take off from the lustre and dignity of the University, the persons addressed are therefore to ascertain to whom those houses belong, and the value thereof, and

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to certify the same to Sec. Dorchester, with whom his Majesty will take such order that the King's love to learning and care of the University may appear. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 1. Docquet of the same.

Sept. 1. The King to the Sub-dean or President and Chapter of the Cathedral of Lincoln, to elect Dr. Topham, one of his Majesty's Chaplains, to the Deanery of Lincoln, void by the death of Dr. Parker. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 1. 2. Petition of the inhabitants of Drury Lane, Queen Street, Princes Street, and others, neighbours there adjoining, to the King. John Parker and Richard Brett have divers times attempted to build on a little close called Old Witch, which has always lain open, free to all persons to walk therein, and sweet and wholesome for the King and his servants to pass towards Theobalds. Parker and Brett have formerly been imprisoned for these attempts, but now they have pulled down the bridges and stiles, and carried great store of bricks thither, and give forth threatening speeches that they will go forward. Petitioners would take a lease of the close, and set the same with trees, wherefore they pray that the meditated buildings may be stopped. [*Referred to the Commissioners for Buildings. Windsor,* 1629, *Sept.* 1.]

Sept. 1. Westminster. School. 3. Lambert Osbolston to Sec. Dorchester. Rejoices of the Sec's nearer return to his beloved Westminster. Lord Lincoln has returned the Sec. his often and hearty thanks. Mr. Carpenter will inform him that the writer has been mindful of those ways that were offensive to the whole neighbourhood, and that Dr. Grant has been forward to better them. Recommends Robert Hannay, who has a request unto his Majesty.

Sept. 1. 4. Henry Earl of Holland to Attorney General Heath. It is the King's pleasure that he should prepare a pardon for Thos. Pepard, of Glascarrick, co. Wexford, Edw. Butler, of Paulestown, co. Kilkenny, and James Furlong, for all highway robberies, burglaries, and felonies.

Sept. 1. Southampton. 5. John Ellzey to Nicholas. Has received opinion of Sir Henry Marten respecting tenths of goods landed out of foreign prizes. Has acted upon it by returning goods to Capt. Tybalt and Ryman. Wishes for orders respecting wines brought into the Wight by James Riskamor [Reskeimer]. Sends appraisement of similar wines brought in by one Pickford, Vice-Admiral to Capt. Crampton, set forth by Humphrey Slaney. *Inclosed,*

5. I. *Appraisement and account of tenths of the Margaret and her lading, taken by Capt. Robt. Pickford. Southampton, 6th Aug.* 1829.

Sept. 1. 6. Depositions of Jacob Johnson and John Stone. On the 27th July last Jacob Johnson attempted to dive at the Lizard, but was

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prevented by William Robinson, Degory Priske, and others, who alleged that Sir George Douglas had a patent for what was recovered there. Thence made his course to Dartmouth, where he weighed five pieces of ordnance, but was forbidden by the Mayor and Town Clerk to work any more, unless he would compound with the town.

Sept. 2. Windsor Castle. 7. The King to the Exchequer in Scotland. Warrant to pay to Lord Gordon 5,000*l.* sterling for his heritable offices of the Sheriffs of Inverness and Aberdeen, resigned by his father and him into the King's hands. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 2. London. 8. William Earl of Angus to Sec. Dorchester. Recommends his cousin's business, and hopes he may receive from the King the like gracious and bountiful answer as he has given to others for the like service.

Sept. 2. 9. Sir John Carleton to the same. Thanks for return of his horses, with a fourth horse for interest. Hopes the Sec. will have use of him next summer. Joys much at the occasion of his coming into those parts.

Sept. 2. Home Lacy. 10. John Viscount Scudamore to Nicholas. Had not forgotten what passed at Putney, but finding the noble bearer's promise passed to Lord Lumley to acquaint him before he finished the business, and that he had gained the young lady to reside with his own friends, he durst not press, neither did he think it needful; whilst she continues constant there is no danger. Loves Nicholas for his love to his brother Ashburnham, and his fidelity to the memory of his dearest lord, Nicholas's master.

Sept. 3. Windsor. 11. The King to Attorney General Heath. The King desiring to purchase the house in Lambeth, wherein Sir George Chute lately dwelt, with a close of eight acres, of all which John Abrahall is the owner, he is to draw a Privy Seal to the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer to contract for the same at the price of 1,400*l.*, the King's purpose being to place therein Colonel Robert Scott for his Majesty's service.

Sept. 3. 12. Petition of Wm. Towerson, of Portsmouth, merchant, to the Lords of the Admiralty, for allowance of moneys disbursed by him in staying 21 French ships laden with wine, and sending them up to London by Capt. Pennington, and also in saving the provision of the Gift of God, of St. Malo. *Annexed,*

12. I. *List of French ships stayed at Portsmouth by virtue of a warrant from Sec. Conway to Wm. Towerson, Deputy Vice-Admiral of co. Southampton, dated* 27 *November* 1626, *and which ships were delivered into the charge of Capt. Pennington* 24 *May* 1627.

12. II. *Charges disbursed for the Gift of God,* 23 *March* 1627:—*total* 10*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*

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Sept. 3. Windsor, at the Antelope in Pescod Street. 13. Edward Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Since by Mr. Lucas, the Sec. granted a pass, but denied the supply the writer requested, he has been at Winchester, endeavouring to sell a piece of land formerly mortgaged, but in vain. Prays to be furnished with 20*l.*, which will carry him over. Leaves his wife and two children as pledges. Has made his going over known to all the French.

Sept. 3. Westminster; from Lord Dorchester's house. 14. Henry Lucas to Sec. Dorchester. Reports interviews with Sir Maurice Abbot and Sir Hugh Hammersley on business of the East India Company and the Levant Company. Mr. Burlamachi will not go till Monday or Tuesday next, for his daughter is newly brought abed, and her husband abroad. Has delivered letters to Mons. Soubise and Lady Wake.

Sept. 4. Docquet of Warrant to the Exchequer and Duchy of Lancaster, authorising certain particulars and grants to be made to Henry Earl of Holland, for which see 1629, Sept. 8.

Sept. 4. Grant to Wm. White and others, at the nomination of Sir Allen Apsley, of the manor of Newington Barrow in co. Middlesex, and other manors and lands in several counties amounting to 714*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.* per annum, to be held in socage, with a reservation of a rent of 714*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.* to the Crown. Together with a confirmation of an assignment made by his Majesty's lessees in trust of part of the said manors and lands for satisfaction to Sir Allen Apsley of 20,000*l.*, parcel of a greater debt due unto him by his Majesty. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 4. Grant to Peter Lennarth and others (at the nomination of Sir Allen Apsley) in consideration of 20,000*l.*, of the forest of Galtres, co. York, with the woods, soil, and deer of the said forest, to be held in socage at the yearly rent of 40*l.* to the Crown. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 4. Warrant to the Lord Treasurer to give order to the Attorney-General to insert a clause in the grant to be made to Sir Allen Apsley of the forest of Galtres, exempting him from the payment of tithes in respect of the same forest. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 4. Release to Walter Earl of Ormond and Ossory of a bond of 100,000*l.* given to Richard, late Earl of Desmond, and Elizabeth his wife, deceased, for performance of the late King's award concerning some questions between them, and which bond was heretofore assigned to the late King. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 4. The King to the Lords Justices of Ireland to discharge all extents against the Earl of Ormond's lands by virtue of the 100,000*l.* above mentioned. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 4. Grant to Walter Earl of Ormond and Ossory of the wardship of Lady Elizabeth Preston, daughter and heir of Richard late Earl of of Desmond. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 4. 15. Petition of Dame Jacoba Vanlore, widow, to the King. Queen Elizabeth granted to Henry Lord Hunsdon the Lordship and Castle of Tunbridge, co. Kent, part of the possessions of the Duke of

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Northumberland, by virtue whereof Lord Hunsdon and his heirs received the issues, fines, and amerciaments of the tenants and resiants. Sir Peter Vanlore, the petitioner's husband, purchased the same premises, but since his purchase the grants thereof have been conceived to be defective, for want of particular explanation of these things. Prays for a grant of the same to her sel and her children in particular words. [*Referred to the Attorney General to report what liberties the former Lords of Tunbridge have enjoyed. Windsor.* 1629, *Sept.* 4.]

Sept. 4. 16. Petition of the Governor, Assistants, and Society of the Mineral and Battry works to the same. This Company has been a corporation for almost sixty years, and many thousands of poor subjects have been set on work by means of the iron wire made with water engines first invented by petitioners, and whereby the kingdom has been provided with wire to make wool cards, knitting needles, and other things. An attempt to bring in false and deceitful wool cards by Dutch and Germans, about the end of Queen Elizabeth, occasioned an Act of Parliament forbidding the sale of foreign wool cards, but of late years strangers have evaded the Act by bringing in iron wire not made into cards. Pray that such importation may be prohibited, the petitioners offering to pay yearly the seven years' average of the customs duties received thereon. [*Referred to the Lord Treasurer to give such order as shall be most behoveful for the benefit of the Commonwealth. Windsor,* 1629, *Sept.* 4.]

Sept. 4. Plymouth. 17. Mayor and others of Plymouth to the Council. For a month last past seven sail of Dunkirkers have lain on their coast, who have taken near 20 sail of ships, whereof four or five belonged to that harbour. The most part they sunk, putting all the men on shore, except the masters, but proffering those who would serve them 20*s.* a month, the residue they carried for Biscay. Most of their company were English and Scots, who said there were twenty other sail building at Dunkirk.

Sept. 4. University College, Oxford. 18. Dr. John Bancroft to Sec. Dorchester. Concerning the map of the projected Piazza Literaria, now sent by Mr. Dacres, hopes it will give full satisfaction. A perfect account of the valuation cannot be made out till Mr. Vice-Chancellor's return from an absence on business that nearly concerns him.

Sept. 4. Christ Church, Oxford. 19. Dr. Brian Duppa to Sec. Dorchester. Dorchester has given a fair testimony that noble intentions cannot be slow of growth when the royal breath of a King gives life and motion to them. Usually there, there is a long parenthesis between talking of a good deed and doing it. The University thinks herself happy in having so active a son. Others have provided for her necessities, Dorchester is the first that ever thought of ornament and delight for her. The liberal sciences had a being before; but they are now likely to have a breathing too, as soon as those buildings shall be removed that stifled them. Their society, of which they glory that Dorchester was once a part, will yield a ready obedience to his Majesty's commands.

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Sept. 5. The King to the Lords Justices of Ireland, to call before them Sir Thos. Butler, a baronet of that kingdom, and to take order that he either give speedy satisfaction to Philip Proger, one of the grooms of the Privy Chamber, of 250*l.*, which he was to pay to Mr. Proger for procuring the said dignity, or make his personal appearance before the King. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 5. The King to the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex. Warrant to deliver Edward Okyn, *alias* Shocke, and 16 other convicted prisoners to Lieutenant-Colonel Rainsford, to be employed in the service of the United Provinces. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 5. Wells. 20. Dep. Lieuts. of co. Somerset to Wm. Earl of Pembroke. They have taken a view of all the trained forces of that county, and have caused the same to be made fully complete according to the modern fashion. The officers and soldiers are all men well-affected in religion, and have willingly taken the oath of allegiance.

Sept. 5. 21. Dennis Fleming to Nicholas. Sends letter of Robert Kitchen, one of the persons appointed to sell the Phœnix at Bristol, proposing questions respecting the sale of her anchors and some of her sails. They are now at Deptford paying off the extra men of the Second and Seventh Lion's Whelps, the Charles and Miniken, and in expectation of more money for the like payments aboard the Rainbow, Bonaventure, and Seven Stars. Begs him to procure warrant for appointment of some ship for guard of the river. Has given order for victualling the Dreadnought. *Incloses,*

21. I. *Robert Kitchen to the Officers of the Navy. The Phœnix is in Hungroad, they must have her up to the city to sell her. Suggests a stay of the sale of some of her anchors, and inquires whether it be intended to sell her new sails. Bristol,* 1629, *August* 27.

Sept. 5. 22. Certificate of the Mayor and others of Faversham, at the request of Edw. Grace, merchant of London, that the best wheat was sold in Faversham market that day at 29*s.* 8*d.* per quarter.

Sept. 6. London. 23. Sir Francis Willoughby to Sec. Dorchester. If Dorchester be inclining "that way," there is no doubt of his success, and he shall find a far better estate than Sir Francis related, as to which he refers him to Mr. Parker his neighbour. Begs the Sec. to procure Sir Francis some of the money due to him for his services. The journey he is to undertake into Ireland with his family is both great and difficult. Begs to be helped forward with as much speed as possible.

Sept. 7. Welbeck. 24. Wm. Earl of Newcastle, to the Council. Incloses a letter and certificate respecting Gervase Markham, and doubts not that on perusal thereof they will give order respecting Mr. Markham's serious importunities for his arms sequestered. *Inclosed,*

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24. I. *Archbishop Harsnet of York to William Earl of Newcastle. Gervase Markham is a bed-rid gentleman. He has been a constant Protestant from his youth. It is marvelled by what hand any information has been suggested otherwise. Could not rest satisfied but that some smoke had arisen that way until he talked with the minister of his parish, whose certificate is inclosed. Southwell,* 1629, *Aug.* 12. *Inclosed,*

24. I. 1. *Certificate of Walter Cary, vicar of Dunham, co. Nottingham, to Archbishop Harsnet. Ever since the writer has been at Dunham, which is eleven years and upwards, Gervase Markham has usually resorted to church, and is very free from all imputation of papistry. Had Markham been able to ride he would have attended the Archbishop.* 1629, *August* 8.

Sept. 7. Ragland. 25. Henry, Earl of Worcester, to Lord Treasurer Weston. Wishes a warrant sent to him amended. The men are not Spaniards but a pack of pirates, French and other nations, and unless it be one Spanish boy, not a Spaniard amongst them. This mistake would not have occurred but for the pretended authority of Mr. Herbert of Swansea, who charged the constables who were about to carry them to Sir Thos. Mansell, to forbear until he had examined them. The Earl explains his title to certain escheats. They were not enemies' goods, but goods of those who had committed felony in robbing the King's subjects on land, and therefore no Admiralty cause.

Sept. 7. Dartmouth. 26. Mayor and others of Dartmouth to the Council. The Dunkirk and Biscayan men-of-war and French pirates infest that coast more than in former times. They have taken five ships of that port within a short time, and many others of other ports. Men resolve to keep their ships at home, whereby the King's customs are impaired and a great number of poor people deprived of their maintenance.

Sept. 8. Grant to Katherine Duchess of Buckingham and Sir George Manners of rents of 425*l.* and 60*l.* reserved out of the Lordship of Hatfield and the Manors of Thorne, Fishlake, and other manors and lands in cos. York, Lincoln, and Nottingham, to the use of the now Duke of Buckingham, or for payment of the debts of the late Duke, or otherwise for the preferment of his other children. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Grant to Robert Brett of lands in Herne and Tuddington, co. Bedford, accrued to his Majesty by the attainder of Wm. Brett, his brother for felony. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Licence to Philip Lord Wharton and Sir Thomas Wharton, his brother, to travel for three years, with six servants and 100*l.* in money. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. The like to Sir Thomas Smith, Viscount Strangford, in Ireland, with four servants and money allowed unto a person of his quality. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 8. Letter to the Mayor and other officers of Bristol to restore to John Cochin, a ship of his, stayed there on publishing the Proclamation for restraint of selling ships, he having formerly lost the same by way of prize and bought the same again a month before the publication of the Proclamation. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Grant to Thos. Redborne of an almsroom in Christ Church in Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. The King to the minister and inhabitants of Ashford, recommending Alexander Udny, one of the King's chaplains, to be their lecturer. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Grant to William Earl of Pembroke, Lord Steward, of the offices of Warden, Chief Justice and Justice itinerant of all forests, on this side Trent, and the mastership of the game, for life. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Grant to Henry Earl of Holland, Captain of the Guard, of the offices of Constable of the castle of Windsor and keeper of all forests there, and of Lieutenant of the forest and castle of Windsor, for life. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Pardon to Richard Birkenhead, drawn according to the form of the pardon at the King's coronation. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Grant to Clement Cotton, for 21 years, of the sole printing of a Brief and Concordance to the last translation of the Holy Bible, allowed by the authority of the Church of England. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Grant to Richard Free of an almsroom in Ewelme, co. Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Whitehall. 27. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a bill for a commission to the Lords of the Admiralty, to cause the Judge of the Admiralty to issue commissions to take pirates, as was done by the Earl of Nottingham and the Duke of Buckingham, late Admirals of England.

Sept. 8. Westminster. 28. Warrant under the Privy Seal to Lord Treasurer Weston and Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and to Edward Lord Newburgh, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, authorizing particulars and grants to be made to Henry Earl of Holland, of the manors of Drayton Basset and Stoindelf, cos. Stafford and Warwick, and Wakefield, co. York, reserving the old rents and passing the same to the Earl at 28 years purchase, in part satisfaction of his debt of 29,000*l.*

Sept. 8. Ragley. 29. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Regrets that his business in London had so slow despatch that he could not attend Lord Conway at Ragley. Reports on the terms of several new leases.

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Sept. 8. His Majesty's fort near Plymouth.

30. Sir James Bagg to Nicholas. Peter Pamer [Palmer] comes up to make complaint against William Rowe of Stonehouse, a man of a most disobedient spirit, for taking a French bark since the peace, and converting her to his own use without adjudication or acknowledgement of any duties to his Majesty.

Sept. 8.

31. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Sends copies of papers to enable him to prepare a discharge to Lady Villiers of an arrear of 437*l.* 10*s.* on her rent of the duties of imported gold and silver thread. *Prefixed,*

31. I. *Petition of Dame Barbara Villiers, widow, to the King. On* 29 *June* 1627 *the King granted her a lease for* 21 *years of the duties on gold and silver thread imported, under the yearly rent of* 200*l. By reason of embargoes and disturbances she has not received enough to pay the rent, and is now in arrear* 437*l.* 10*s. Prays discharge of the arrear, and permission to receive the duties in future without rent.*

31. II. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer for effecting the petitioner's desire. Whitehall,* 1629, *April* 18.

31. III. *Lord Treasurer to the officers and farmers of the customs in London, to certify what quantities of gold and silver thread have been imported from Michaelmas* 1627 *to Lady Day* 1629, *and what money Lady Villiers has received clear.* 1629, *May* 29.

31. IV. *Officers of the Customs of London to the Lord Treasurer. In the time mentioned Lady Villiers has received clear* 257*l.* 0*s.* 7½*d. Conceive that these duties will decay, for the invention of making Venice gold and silver within the kingdom is come to that perfection that it will be made here much better cheap than it can be brought from beyond seas. In Sir William Garway's time the duties received by him amounted to* 1,246*l. per annum. Custom House,* 1629, *June* 9.

Sept. 9.

Grant to Christopher Sands (at the nomination of Humphrey Rogers,) of his Majesty's interest in the estate of Miles Sands, outlawed for killing John Birkehead. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 9.

Warrant for repayment to Jeffery Kerby of 4,000*l.* which he had lately paid into the exchequer by way of loan. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 9.

32. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. The alterations in the new charter for the town of Dorchester do not detract from the king's profit, or give them any greater power in the government of their corporation than they had before. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 9. Oxford.

33. Sir Nathaniel Brent to the same. Holds the visit paid to him [at Merton College] a singular honour done by Lord Dorchester's means, and hopes to receive the like favour another time. Those

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employed in the business of clearing the passage between St. Mary's church and the public schools use all diligence. No man is unwilling to obey his Majesty's pleasure, but there are many intricacies, and many doubts to be cleared, which will require longer time than at first imagined. Hopes to give him a more particular account within ten or twelve days.

Sept. 9. Mincing Lane. 34. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. Certifies to the sufficiency of Thos. Burleigh, for Master Gunner.

Sept. 10. Warrant for payment of 1,000*l.* to Sir Rob. Karr, keeper of his Majesty's privy purse, for present supply thereof. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 10. 35. Certificate of Inigo Jones, Lawrence Whitaker, and four others, commissioners for buildings, to whom the petition of Drury Lane and other places adjoining (see 1629, Sept. 1,) was referred, to the King. They have viewed the place called Old Witch Close on the back side of Drury Lane whereupon Sir Kenelm Digby desires to erect new buildings. The inhabitants still purpose to plant it with trees for wholesome and pleasant walks. The erection of buildings there would tend to defeat the King's intention declared in his proclamation and commission for buildings.

Sept. 10. 36. Copy of the same.

Sept. 10. 37. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Sends inclosed the draft of that letter which the Lord Keeper, the Lord Privy Seal, and the Sec. yesterday agreed upon, to be sent to the Justices of the King's Bench, if his Majesty shall please, for bailing as many of the prisoners as his Majesty shall nominate. The two Lords will take it into their thoughts to advise unto how many it is best to extend. There is much difference between the faults of three of them and the rest, yet he is afraid there will be many inconveniences if there be a difference made. His desire is that the King's honour may not suffer nor his power be lessened, and yet that be done which may stand with his justice. Has moved the Lord Treasurer for the new Plantation on his own petition. He will give way to it, but there must be no freedom from payment of customs. Prays Dorchester to move the King therein and make a reference to Mr. Solicitor.
Inclosed,

37. I. *The King to Lord Chief Justice Hyde and the rest of the Justices of the King's Bench. A., B., C., and D. stand committed to the Tower for notorious contempts and seditions. The King being now resolved of a course of proceeding against them, is pleased that, in the meantime, they be bailed, with very sufficient sureties, for their appearance in the King's Bench on the first day of next Term.*

[Sept. 10?] 38. Questions in the handwriting of Attorney General Heath, which, if the King consult with the Council and Judges what course is to be resolved upon in the matter of Sir John Eliot and the other

imprisoned Members of Parliament, would bring the question to a resolution.

[Sept. 10 ?] 39. Copy of the same with one paragraph omitted.

Sept. 10. 40. Wm. Shaw to Sec. Dorchester. As his former suggested fair purchase in Westminster was of too little value, suggests another of more weight, being 2,000*l.* a year land, and 20,000*l.* stock in *Aurum potabile,* and the owner aged 40. If this be acceptable, he will produce the particular and party.

Sept. 10. 41. Wm. Lake to Nicholas. Sends, by the Lord Treasurer's command, a note of things to be mentioned to the Lords of the Admiralty at their next meeting. They relate to payments for timber supplied at Chatham by Mr. Goddard and Mr. Wall, and other timber needed for repair of the Victory, Garland, Antelope, and Mary Rose.

[Sept. 10 ?] 42. Draft in the handwriting of Nicholas of letter proposed to be written by the Lords of the Admiralty to the officers of the Navy requesting them to make the payments to Mr. Goddard and Mr. Wall mentioned in the preceding article.

Sept. 11. Grant to Alexander Stafford, his Majesty's servant, of a new office to be called the Office of Remembrancer of the Court of Wards and Liveries, for life, with the yearly fee of 10*l.*, and such fees as the Master and Council of the said Court shall appoint. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 11. Grant of Denization for John Lepin, born in foreign parts. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 11. The like for Renne Trippier. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 11. Pardon for Thomas Christofer for stealing two mares, subscribed by Sir John Bridgeman and Sir Marmaduke Lloyd, Justices of Assize for co. Chester. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 11. Warrant to the Treasurer of the Chamber to pay to Thos. Otley, groom of the privy Buckhounds, in the place of John Williams, deceased, wages of 13*d.* per diem and 20*s.* per annum for livery. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 11. Grant to Edward Blenkarne of an almsroom in Carlisle. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 11. 43. Order of Council that on the sale of certain lands of his Majesty near Faversham, the Admiralty jurisdiction be reserved. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 12. Licence to Robert Tirwhitt, his Majesty's servant, for 21 years, to transport 3,200 barrels of butter yearly, to be bought within cos. Norfolk, Lincoln, and York, paying 2*s.* 6*d.* for every barrel transported in lieu of customs, with these cautions, that he shall not buy butter for export when the price is more than 4*d.* per pound, and that his licence may be suspended by the Lord Treasurer, or Council. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 12. Aboard the Lion in Lee Road.

44. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Yesterday Mr. Burlamachi came on board; this morning they sailed, but were obliged to come to an anchor by contrary wind; news from Flushing of the surrender of the Bosche. The Dreadnought is at Flushing wanting victuals, which are to be supplied by Sir Peter Courteen of Middleburgh. The Hollanders have also taken Hamme, in Westphalia, and besieged Hulst. They are also masters of Carthagena, in the West Indies, with three millions of treasure. Has sent Capt. Bamfield to ply from the Downs to Portsmouth. A report that 25 sail of lusty ships of the King of Spain are to come out of Dunkirk with the first wind.

Sept. 12. Christchurch, Oxford.

45. Dean and Chapter of Christchurch, Oxford, to Sec. Dorchester. Unfounded claims set up by Brazenose to Black Hall, Glazing Hall, and Staple Hall, which lie between St. Mary's and the Schools. Pray him to take order that the writers may have the composition for what belongs to them.

Sept. 12. The Downs.

46. Captain Sidrack Gibbon to Sir Henry Mervyn. Has been in company with the Dreadnought and Fourth Whelp at Guernsey and Jersey, and there received such soldiers as were appointed by the Governor, and landed them at Flushing. Supposes the Dreadnought and Fourth Whelp are gone to Tilbury Hope. Laid his purser in prison at Portsmouth, and thereby recovered five tons of beer. Has but fifteen days' provision.

Sept. 12. Elbing.

47. John Hull to Endymion Porter. Peace concluded between the Kings of Poland and Sweden for six years. Extreme poverty of the country, and dearness of provisions. The Swedish dollar is not worth more than 18*d.*, instead of 3*s.*, as represented by the Ambassador in England. The King's pay is but half a rix dollar to the private soldier, and for all officers as little or less, according to their rank and quality. The writer's Captain had died, and by the help of Sir Thomas Roe he had got the Company.

Sept. 13. Basings in Peckham.

48. Sir Thomas Gardyner to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for kindness shewn to the writer's son. Sends 8 melons, 12 figs, 12 pears; grapes and Cornelia cherries. Prays him to remember the writer's son when he writes to Colonel Morgan.

Sept. 14. Magdalen College, Oxford.

49. Dr. Accepted Frewen to the same. Presumes Sir Nathaniel Brent has given him a full account of their proceedings touching the Schools. Sends copy of the sermon preached by the writer before the King at Woodstock. Dr. Potter is in Hampshire, whither the writer has sent notice of his Majesty's pleasure in this particular.

Sept. 15.

Grant to Dr. Owen, Bishop elect of St. Asaph, to hold in commendam with the Bishopric, the Archdeaconry of St. Asaph, with other benefices within the dioceses of Bangor and St. Asaph, not exceeding 150*l.* per annum. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 15.

50. Petition of the Master, Fellows, and Scholars of Pembroke College, Oxford, to the King. State the facts adduced in their

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former petition (*See Vol.* cxlii., *No.* 66.), with the report thereon of the Lord Keeper, and pray the king to order a patent to be drawn up, for giving them the patronage of the Church of St. Aldate's, Oxon. [*Reference to the Attorney General accordingly. Theobalds,* 1629, *Sept.* 15.]

Sept. 15. Oxford. 51. Dr. Accepted Frewen and others to Sec. Dorchester. Report the value of the houses proposed to be taken down between St. Mary's Church and the Schools. [*From a Memorandum underwritten by the Sec., it would seem that the prices asked for houses to be taken down was* 2,160*l.; that the materials were worth* 650*l.; that the Colleges demanded rents, and that the ground would need to be paved.*] *Annexed,*

51. I. *List of houses to be demolished, with the sums asked for purchase and value of the materials.*

Sept. 16. St. Martin's Lane. 52. Sir Guilford Slingsby, and N. Terne, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Have examined the charge of the Judith ketch, employed for an experiment on the river Thames above the Bridge, and conceive that neither the demands of Sir Alexander Napper, nor the boatswain's, are proper to be paid out of the Office of the Navy.

Sept. 16. Petworth. 53. Henry Earl of Northumberland to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for sending him Low Country passages. The Earl loves the men, and, therefore, wishes well to their business. Letters to the Earl may be sent to the house of Taylor, his steward, on Tower Hill. Dorchester may remember, when walking under the vine wall at Sion, to have said that he was drunk with eating of grapes; prays him to be drunk again. He may take what he will of any fruits there.

Sept. 16. London. 54. Lord President [Conway] to Patrick Hume. Sends him a copy of a letter, which he wrote about a week ago, in answer to one from his father. Left it with his brother to be sent away, but cannot find that it is gone. Does not perceive any inclination in his brother to come to him in those parts. He says that his presence is not necessary for perfecting the acts that must be made. [*Draft.*]

Sept. 17. 55. Royal Licence to Abraham Rutter, of Exeter, merchant, to export cloth, baize, perpetuanoes, peropuses, stuffs called Flanders or Hounscott says, cotton stuffs called in Spanish picates, pipe staves, fish, lead, and various other kinds of merchandise, not exceeding in value 50,000*l.*, paying the ordinary dues. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 17. Yarmouth. 56. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Dunkirkers much annoy those seas, especially the poor herring fishers, whereof they have lately taken four or five within sight of that town. Pray them so far to favour fisherfare as to give commission to the Adventure, Capt. Mennes, and the Tenth Whelp, Capt. Dymes, to waft the herring fishers this season, which will not be above six weeks.

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Sept. 17. Dreadnought in Dover Road. 57. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Sec. Dorchester. Landed at Flushing about 200 soldiers from Guernsey. Remained windbound in great extremity and want of victuals. The mariners threatened to forsake the ship, but Mr. Carleton, agent at the Hague, gave order on Sir Peter Courteen, for 14 days' provision, to carry them to England. That time being near expired, craves further supply and speedy payment of Courteen.

Sept. 17. Dreadnought within sight of Dover. 58. The same to Nicholas. Details more fully the circumstances mentioned in the last letter, and begs immediate supply. Hopes he shall be the last man that shall be "sent out of England with a bag of bread, a bottle of drink, and the wind in his pocket."

[Sept. 17?] 59. Sir Peter Courteen to Sec. Dorchester. Sets forth the circumstances of his supply of the Dreadnought above mentioned, and craves payment of the amount, 86*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*

Sept. 17. 60. Inventory of goods aboard the St. John, prize, taken by the Convertive, under the command of Sir Thos. Button.

Sept. 17. 61. Note of sums received by the late Sir William Heydon, on account of the Ordnance service for the expedition to Rhé, with the amount still remaining to be paid on that account, and a list of the tallies struck by Sir Wm. Heydon on Sir John Wolstenholme, to be paid out of the reprisal goods.

Sept. 18. Grant to Wm. Gomeldon, his Majesty's servant, of the moiety of all such moneys given for the Queen of Bohemia, and the defence of the Palatinate, as should be found by Gomeldon to be remaining in the hands of any collector. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 18. Grant to Hugh Wood, his Majesty's servant, of the forfeiture of a recognisance of Richard Bancroft in 300*l.* for keeping company with Rose Huntley, with whom he stands convicted of incest. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 18. Renewal to Captain John Gilbert and James Freese of a grant of the sole privilege of using an engine invented by Gilbert for cleansing the River Thames from gravel and sand, and for taking water out of mines, for 21 years, paying to the Crown 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* per annum. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 18. Grant of incorporation of Dorchester, co. Dorset, by the name of Mayor, Bailiffs, Aldermen, and Burgesses, with confirmation of their ancient privileges and extension of the jurisdiction of their Court of Record from 10*l.* to 40*l.* [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 18. Commission to Wm. Perrey for making up and keeping a company of players, to present all usual stage plays, by the name of His Majesty's servants for the city of York. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 18. Declaration by the King that there shall be taken only 3*d.* upon every pound of foreign tobacco of the plantations of Virginia and of the Sommers Islands, already imported, in lieu of all duties heretofore payable. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 18. Aboard the Adventure in Yarmouth Road.

62. Capt. John Mennes to the Lords of the Admiralty. By order of Sir Henry Mervyn he convoyed three small ships to the Brill, and put to sea for the Downs that same night, with the Tenth Whelp. Both ships were forced into Yarmouth by stress of weather, where being informed of injuries committed by the Dunkirkers on that coast, they resolved to stand to and again to assist the poor fishermen till they had a fit wind. The magistrates desired them to stay in that course until they certified their Lordships, hoping for an answer ere the wind changes.

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63. The same to Nicholas. Repeats the information in his last letter. Incloses a letter from the Corporation. If the wind grow fair he must obey his orders, therefore begs him to send the Lords' answer to the town. *Incloses,*

63. I. *Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the same. Intreat his furtherance of their application that the Adventure and Tenth Whelp may stay there to waft the fishers.*

Sept. 19.

Presentation of Dr. Roberts, his Majesty's sub almoner, to the subdeanery of Wells, void by death, and in his Majesty's gift by the vacancy of the bishopric of Bath and Wells. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 19. King Street.

64. Nicholas to Sec. Dorchester. Sends the last letter to Sec. Dorchester from Capt. Plumleigh (No. 57). In the Downs he will meet with a letter from Sir Henry Mervyn, requiring him to repair to Portsmouth to receive victuals for a voyage to the southward. Is going to the Lord Treasurer for order for 86*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.*, for Sir Peter Courteen. Sir Henry Mervyn went away with Mr. Burlamachi on the 14th instant, and took with him the Adventure and Tenth Whelp, besides his own ship the Lion. The Third Whelp is ordered to Portsmouth for victuals, to enable her to join Sir Thomas Button, for clearing the western coasts of Dunkirkers. The Fourth Whelp is ordered to ply between the Downs and Portsmouth. Thus are all his Majesty's ships at sea employed.

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65. Certificate of Peter Pett and others that John Aldridge, to whom Augustine Aldridge, master carpenter of the Bonaventure, is desirous to resign, is an able man for the place.

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66. Petition of John Harrison, late agent in Barbary, to the King. The King heretofore granted him, in regard of the arrearages due to him, a prize ship, the Peter, but afterwards gave the same to another by privy seal. Prays for a grant of the Fortune that he may proceed to Barbary for redeeming the remainder of the king's subjects there in captivity, and transportation of a present of Barbary horses to the King from Sallee.

Sept. 20. On Board the Tenth Whelp.

67. Capt. John Dymes to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has returned to the Downs, and certifies his want of victuals, especially of beer. The magistrates of Yarmouth would have supplied their wants if their ship and the Adventure might continue on their coast.

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Sept. 20. Milford. 68. Sir Thos. Button to the Lords of the Admiralty. Prays to be allowed to keep his Dunkirk prize in his own custody until he himself comes to Bristol, which must be as soon as wind and weather will allow, for he is to return into Ireland with 6,000*l.* from the Earl of Cork. The Ninth Whelp is at Chester, or passed over with the Earl of Cork. Sent the Fifth Whelp to convoy a French ship and two Englishmen about the Land's End. Much crying out of many Dunkirkers and French that lie on those parts.

Sept. 20. Aboard the Convertive, Milford. 69. The same to Nicholas. Recapitulates with some enlargement the application in the preceding letter. In a P. S. dated the 21st inst. he announces the finding of letters and certificates of the Dunkirk ship which he sends up. Begs his favour, which he will not find bestowed on an unthankful man.

[Sept. 20 ?] 70. The same [to Sec. Dorchester ?]. Details many of the facts mentioned in the preceding letters to the Lords of the Admiralty and Nicholas, and begs him to mediate with the King that the prize Dunkirker, being of much less value than what is due to Sir Thomas, may be given to him, to prevent the utter ruin of his estate, which having been mortgaged has been forfeited ever since Michaelmas last, and all for money spent in his Majesty's service. Sends, as desired, estimates for five ships and also for the present number. Five are the fewest that ought to be in those parts. *Inclosed,*

70. I. *The estimate above-mentioned.*

Sept. 20. Aboard the Third Whelp in the Downs. 71. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to Nicholas. Solicits supply of victuals.

Sept. 20. Aboard the Third Whelp in the Downs. 72. The same to Lord Treasurer Weston. Capts. Mennes and Dymes have arrived from wafting the ordnance to Holland. Urgently solicits a supply of victuals.

Sept. 20. Aboard the Adventure. 73. Capt. John Mennes to the same. Reports his arrival in the Downs from Yarmouth with the Tenth Whelp. No news of the Lion, imagines the winds detain her at Flushing. The Dreadnought and the Third Whelp are in the Downs. The seas are very full of the States men-of-war.

Sept. 20. 74. Note of the distribution of 4*l.* given by Dr. Owen, Bishop of St. Asaph, at his consecration in Croydon chapel.

Sept. 21. 75. Wm. Earl of Newcastle to the Council. Incloses certificates of the musters of the counties of his lieutenancy. *Inclosed,*

75. I. *Certificate for co. Derby :—totals, foot* 848 ; *horse,* 74.

75. II. *Similar certificate for co. Nottingham :—totals, foot,* 1,050 ; *horse,* 60.

Sept. 21. Mitton. 76. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Reports state of the horses. A mistake in Philip Clough's demand concerning the

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park pale. He does not require 200*l.*, but 60*l.*, for its repair. The writer's brother died last night.

Sept. 22. Presentation of John Hanger, D.D. to the Rectory of Polbrook in the diocese of Peterborough, unto which he was formerly presented by the Bishop of Peterborough, desiring this for strengthening his title. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 22. Warrant to pay to James Heriot, the king's jeweller, 400*l.* for a jewel bought by the King for the Queen, and 500*l.* advanced for redeeming certain jewels, with interest at 8*l.* per cent. Also to strike a tally for 2,500*l.* for a looking-glass set with diamonds, bought of his Majesty by him, as part of money due upon former privy seals. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 22. 77. Petition of Henry Holt, Mayor of Portsmouth, to the Council. The Gift of God was sold on the last day of August last by the burning of a candle to an end, to Francis Brooke of Portsmouth Dock, for 164*l.* Sets forth payments by the petitioner; about the sale 2*l.*; for furnishing the Spanish captain with victuals by order of Endymion Porter 20*l.*; for victuals for the Fortune, prize, 39*l.* 4*s.*; all which he prays may be paid out of the purchase money of the ship, and the remainder be charged on Sir Allen Apsley, in part of debt due to petitioner for the King's service.

Sept. 22. Margate Road. 78. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Arrived at Flushing the 15th and landed Mr. Burlamachi. Left Flushing on Sunday last and with much labour has gained Margate Road. His Excellency [the Prince of Orange] following his fortunes is now on foot with a new design. A great fleet of Hollanders put to sea, some for the West Indies. They are manned with almost as many English mariners as natives. They give great entertainments and the rumour of their success entices the English. Fears, without speedy prevention, his Majesty's and the merchant's ships will want men.

Sept. 22. Aboard the Lion in Margate Road. 79. The same to Nicholas. Gives him a more particular journal of his voyage to Flushing and back. On the 11th, Burlamachi with Sir Francis Nethersole, his lady, with many others, came aboard at Tilbury Hope. Arrived at Flushing the 15th and sailed on return on the 20th.

Sept. 23. 80. Petition of Richard Herbert to the Council. Having by order of their Lordships of 15 May, 1626, prosecuted a suit in the Court of Admiralty [against Sir John Eliot], he was forced to be from his dwelling place at Kidwelly for three years. During his absence his office of town clerk was sold by the townsmen to William Davis, and certain houses, lands, and mills, belonging to him were taken possession of and are kept from him. Prays a reference to Justices of the Peace on the spot to certify the facts. [*Reference to Sir Walter Mansell, Maurice Bowen, John Gwyn and David Vaughan accordingly.*]

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Sept. 23. Chartley. 81. Robert Earl of Essex to the Council. Sends account of the proceedings of his Deputy Lieuts., co. Stafford, in mustering the forces of that county, with muster rolls of horse and foot. *Inclosed,*

81. I. *Deputy Lieuts. co. Stafford, to Robert, Earl of Essex. Such is the decay of gentlemen of worth among them, and the lands are so divided, that the number of their trained bands is not so full as could be wished. Have contracted with Thomas Damport, of Stafford, mercer, for supply of a necessary quantity of match and powder, and for bullets, they have lead mines in their own county. Stafford,* 16 *Sept.* 1629.

Sept. 23. 82. Michael Osbaldston to Lady Mary Conway. Intreats her most earnestly to procure his appointment as warrener to her father. There is an old proverb, while the grass groweth the steed starveth. He and his are ready to starve.

Sept. 24. Dover. 83. Capt. Richd. Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. According to their order commanded his company to set sail for Portsmouth, which, being in distress for victuals they utterly refused to do. In spite of all persuasions they haled the boats from the ship's stern and resolved to run on shore. Was forced to make use of his sword, and by wounding the most forwardest repressed the insolency of the rest. Has since attempted to gain Portsmouth, but being forced back into the Downs by weather, found an order from Sir Allen Apsley for seven days victual. Begs that there may be sent to Portsmouth all things necessary for "so long a voyage, especially towards winter."

Sept. 24. Dover. 84. The same to Nicholas. Repeats a little more fully the particulars mentioned in the preceding letter. Incloses a letter which Nicholas may dispose of as he thinks fit. Begs that the carpenters and storekeepers may be pressed to send down waist-clothes, flags, and pendants. As soon as the ship is ready will see him and give him his thanks. *Inclosed,*

84. I. *The same to Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer. Proud that he has been chosen to transport Sir Francis and his train. Suggests certain changes to be made in the ordnance of his ship, and the erection of cabins for the accommodation of his followers. Dover, Sept.* 24.

Sept. 24. Dover. 85. Sir William Borlase to Sec. Dorchester. His exceeding contentment that there is anything in his power which may be of use to Dorchester. Will more esteem "these creatures" than he had thought to have done. Dorchester's servant will needs undertake the transport of "this ware."

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Sept. 24. Aboard the Lion's Tenth Whelp.

86. Capt. John Dymes to Nicholas. Understands by Capt. Mennes that a victualler had been sent down to supply the Dreadnought (which is gone for Portsmouth) and the Third Whelp, but no mention made of any other ship. If there were a likelihood of their returning to Yarmouth, a small supply would serve.

Sept. 24. Aboard the Adventure.

87. Capt. John Mennes to the same. Capts. Plumleigh and Gibbon sailed for Portsmouth on Monday last. The Whelp was driven back, but he imagines the Dreadnought got through. Knows not who complains on his behalf. He has no just occasion. Reports the state of his ship. Thinks Sir Henry Mervyn will be in the Downs that day.

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88. Address to Henry Earl of Holland, Chancellor of Cambridge, being present this day at the Philosophy Act.

Sept. 25.

Restitution of temporalities of Bishopric of St. Asaph to Dr. Owen, now bishop there. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 25.

Warrant to pay to James Marquis of Hamilton, Master of the Horse, 200*l.* for repair of the stables at the Mews. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 25. St. Martin's Lane.

89. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Desire to be directed whether the Victory, Garland, Antelope, and Mary Rose are only to be repaired so as to be kept from further decay, or to be made fit for the seas. If the latter they request money.

Sept. 25. Aboard the Lion in the Downs.

90. Sir Henry Mervyn to the same. Last night came into the Downs where he found the Dreadnought, Adventure, and Three Whelps. Capt. Gibbon has no victuals but what the writer can supply him with from day to day. Capt. Dymes's men have drank water three days, and want has put his company in a mutiny. Beseeches them for the honour of the state not to suffer the service to become a scandal. Foul winter weather, naked backs and empty bellies make the common men voice the King's service worse than a galley slavery. It were profit for his Majesty, and as much for his honour, to have no ships abroad unless more certain course be taken to supply them.

Sept. 25. Aboard the Lion in the Downs.

91. The same to Lord Treasurer Weston. Refers to the statements in the preceding letter. Though his Lordship has but his share therein, yet the acclamation of the multitude cried him down as only guilty, and amongst all their clamours none speak louder than the ill management of maritime affairs, and that especially of the Narrow Seas.

Sept. 25. On board the Lion in the Downs.

92. The same to Edward Earl of Dorset, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen. Sets forth the necessities of the ships in the Downs. The shore affords a soldier relief or hope, the sea neither. With what confidence can punishment be inflicted on men that mutiny in these wants? What scandal these neglects throw upon their Lordships at home, and how much the honour of the state suffers abroad!

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The necessity of the times can be no reason that ships are neither supplied nor called home when their victuals end. These neglects are the cause why mariners fly to the service of foreign nations. Without better order, his Majesty will lose the honour of his seas, the love and loyalty of his sailors, and his Royal Navy will droop.

Sept. 25. 93. Speech of the University Orator at Cambridge, in the Regent House, to M. de Chasteauneuf, Ambassador extraordinary from France, when he was incorporated D.C.L.

Sept. 25. 94. Copy of the preceding.

Sept. 25. 95. ——— to Mr. Gilbert. To go to Hampton Court and inform [Lord Dorchester] that the writings have been received from Mr. Pennington, and that they are now ready for a hearing before the Council, in the dispute with the Gentleman Porter of the Tower. Wish that Sir John Borough should send a copy of the first patent of the upper porter of the Tower, that he can find in the Rolls, and that Mr. Wackerley [Weckherlin] should speak to the Lord President to appoint a day.

Sept. 26. 96. Statement respecting the right to a pirate vessel driven ashore at Oystermouth, co. Glamorgan. It had been claimed by Wm. Herbert, for the King, and by Thomas Mansell for the Earl of Worcester. [*Referred by the Council to the Judge of the Admiralty, and the Attorney General, to certify the facts. Hampton Court,* 1629, *Sept.* 26.] [*Copy.*]

Sept. 26. 97. The Council to Henry Earl of Worcester. Inform him of the above reference. They think the ship alluded to should be sequestered into the custody of two persons, one to be named by Mr. Herbert, the other by himself, and request him to nominate some one accordingly. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 26. 98. Petition of Thomas Gliau and John Thomas, owners of the John of Portelieu, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Wm. Rowe, notwithstanding the peace between England and France, captured their vessel on the 12th May, 1629. Carried her into Stonehouse, and made away with her without adjudication. Pray for reference to Sir James Bagg to compel Rowe to make restitution.

Sept. 26. Aboard the Convertive in Milford. 99. Sir Thos. Button to Sec. Dorchester. Being driven back by contrary winds, has received letters for his employment on the Western parts of England. Although unseasonable in respect of his particular occasions, having been two years absent from home, and contrary to directions of the Lord Treasurer to fetch over 6,000*l.* from the Earl of Cork, he will follow the new employment with all the diligence that wind and weather will give. Refers to his letter to Mr. Nicholas, of this date, for various requests. Begs that out his recent prize he may have 1,400*l.* to free his engaged lands, and if any reinforcement be intended that Capt. Edmund Button, whom he has sent in captain of the prize, may be appointed.

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Sept. 26. 100. Dep. Lieuts. of Anglesea to Wm. Earl of Northampton, Lord Lieut. of Wales. Report the military condition of the county. It is much impoverished, but there are in the island 800 able men, whereof 400 are trained, with 100 corslets, 100 muskets, 150 calivers, and 50 pikes, burgonets and swords. Send lists of defaulters.

[Sept. 26.?] 101. The same to the same. A mise having been cessed for provision of warlike stores for defence of the county, the persons undermentioned have refused to make payment thereto.

[Sept. 26.] 102. Names of the defaulters mentioned in the preceding letter.

Sept. 26. The Downs. 103. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Is that very instant ready to sail for Portsmouth. Has sent his boatswain and carpenter to London to signify their wants to the Officers of the Navy. Begs him to assure the Ambassador that there is not a sounder nor stronger ship, nor fitter for the rolling Spanish sea, than the Dreadnought.

Sept. 26. Aboard the Convertive in Milford. 104. Sir Thos. Button to Nicholas. Prays that the whole of his Dunkirk prize, instead of the half, may be allowed him towards satisfying his arrears, or that if he is only to have the moiety, he may buy the King's part at the appraisement, and expend the amount in the supply of his ships. Suggests that the prize ship is well suited for employment in the present service, and that his relation, Edmund Button, might be appointed her Captain. Prays that he may not be tied to continual personal attendance aboard, having been a stranger in his home these two years.

Sept. 26. Oxford. 105. John Whistler to Dr. John Bancroft, Master of University College, Oxford. Fears all their labour about Shotover and Stow is lost. Saw a letter of George Melsome that day that the patent so long expected is passed, and that he shall have 1,800 trees for his share.

Sept. 27. Basing. 106. Lord Charles Paulet to [Sec. Dorchester.] Sent to Lord Vere for the saker drakes, but he says he must have a warrant from the King. Requests that one may be sent to him.

Sept. 28. 107. Petition of the Muscovia Company trading to Greenland to the King. In the year 1618, petitioners fishing in their harbours in Greenland, were surprised by the Hollanders, and their ships and goods taken, to their loss of 50,000*l.* On complaint to the late King, he ordered 22,000*l.*, the value of their goods, to be paid by the Hollanders in three months, and their other damages be respited for three years. No satisfaction having been made, his said Majesty ordered that any ships of the Hollanders might be arrested until satisfaction were made for the 22,000*l.*, and a letter was written to the Lord Admiral that some of his Majesty's ships might be made ready to seize some of the Hollanders, but no seizure has been made. Pray that the course intended by the late King for their redress may be revived. [*Referred to the Lord Treasurer and Sec. Coke to report what is fit to be done. Hampton Court,* 1629, *Sept.* 28.]

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Sept. 28. Trinity College Cambridge. 108. Dr. Samuel Brooke to Sec. Dorchester. Regrets his absence from Cambridge. Things were passed over in good mediocrity. Their Chancellor seemed pleased, and so did the Earl of Carlisle, who has a very accurate judgment in things of this nature. How the Ambassador liked what he saw and heard, the writer was not near enough to perceive. Cannot please themselves in any advantage gotten above Oxford in this entertainment. Hopes if the King have any purpose to command them in that kind they shall be better provided. This care shall be a part of the writer's thankfulness for the place he now holds by his Majesty's favour. Will provide a pastoral and a comedy against Shrovetide, if his Majesty shall think good. Will be careful of Dorchester's kinsman.—P.S. Sir John Carleton was not there, but his letters were sent to Cheveley.

Sept. 29. Warrant to pay to Sir Henry Vane, appointed ambassador to the Low Countries, 4*l.* per diem, and 500*l.* by way of imprest, with money disbursed for transportation and intelligence. A former warrant of July 29, for these allowances, made void. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 29. Presentation of John Mosley, D.D., to the vicarage of Newark-upon-Trent, void by resignation. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 29. Pardon for Sir Edwd. Clerke, according to the form of the pardon at the coronation. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 29. Grant of the keeping of Marybone park, with the fee of 8*d.* per diem, to Sir Robt. Karr, gentleman of the bedchamber, in reversion after Sir Philip Cary, and John Cary, his son. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 29. Warrant for payment of the usual allowances to the yeomen and grooms of the privy buckhounds, from Midsummer till Michaelmas. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 29. Licence to James, Duke of Lennox, to travel for three years, and to take with him Dr. Topham, Dean of Lincoln, John St. Alman, and eight other servants, with 200*l.* in money. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 29. Warrant to pay to Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, appointed ambassador to Spain, 6*l.* per diem, to commence from the first of July last past, together with sums disbursed for transportation and intelligence. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 29. 109. Sir Wm. Playters to the Dep. Lieuts. of co. Suffolk. Returns the names of defaulters at the musters of the cornet of horse, raised in co. Suffolk under his command.

Sept. 30. Grant to John Short, in reversion after Peter Buck, of the office of clerk of the prick and check of his Majesty's Navy at Chatham, and of the receipt and delivery of stores for the navy, with the fee of 40*l.* per annum; done on surrender of a grant to George Wardegar. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Grant of denization to Alexander Dunsyre, his Majesty's servant, born in Scotland. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 30. Grant to John Barrow, of a falconer's place, with 12*d.* per diem, and 22*s.* 6*d.* yearly for a livery, in place of Robert Quarrier deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Warrant to the Great Wardrobe, for delivery of cloth and necessaries to John Barrow. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Presentation of Robt. Hearick, M.A., to the vicarage of Dean-Prior, in the diocese of Exeter, void by promotion of the incumbent to the bishopric of Carlisle. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Licence to travel for three years granted to Sir Thos. Weston, Jerome Weston, and Herbert Thorndick, with four servants, and 200*l.* in money. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. The like for Gervase Clifton, with three servants, and 100*l.* in money. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Sergeant's Inn. 110. Lord Chief Justice Hyde to Sec. Dorchester. Himself and Judges Whitelock and Croke were conferring of his Majesty's business when his letters arrived. They are all resolved, and make no doubt that Judge Jones will concur with them, that if the prisoners refuse to put in bail on this direction of his Majesty, they will remand them to prison, and if they move at the term, yet, if they be bailed, it shall be according to his Majesty's letters, without declaring what the cause is; which they conceive to be according to his Majesty's pleasure.

Sept. 30. Hampton Court. 111. Philip Earl of Montgomery to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a grant to Simon Osbaldston of the office of Knight Harbinger, with the annuity of 20 marks, and the fee of five marks of every person receiving the title of Archbishop, Duke, Marquis, Earl, Viscount, or Knight, and the like fee for the homage of Sheriffs, Mayors, and other chief officers of towns corporate, to hold the same for life on the decease of Thos. Mynne.

Sept. 30. Portsmouth. 112. Henry Holt to Nicholas. Has received 300*l.* to victual the Dreadnought, which is but two month's victual, for any time beyond that there must be ready money; also for the Third Lion's Whelp, which for two months will be 140*l.* Holt's credit is lost, and the country undone. There is due to the country, for victuals delivered to the King's ships, above 3,000*l.*, and much more to the writer.

Sept. 30. 113. Certificate of Reuben Robinson, and five others, inhabitants of Maldon, co. Essex. James Remington met with his death by the hand of John Eve, in a dispute respecting the return of certain money won by Remington of Eve by false, foul, and unjust play.

[Sept. 30 ?] 114. Minute by a Secretary of Sec. Dorchester, that a bill of [Matthew de Quester] for dispatches from the 1st April to this day, amounting to 42*l.*, had been signed.

[Sept ?] 115. Petition of divers merchants and inhabitants in the port and members of King's Lynn, co. Norfolk, to the Council. The prices of

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all kind of corn are at very reasonable rates. Emden and Hamburgh, by reason of many thousands of the King of Denmark's distressed subjects which are fled thither, want corn to supply their necessities. Pray permission to export the same.

[Sept. ?] 116. Petition of Wm. Cross, of London, merchant, to the Council. Prays for licence to export 100 lasts of wheat, and the same quantities of rye and barley to the Low Countries.

Sept. Portsmouth. 117. Owen Jennings, Deputy Mayor of Portsmouth, and eleven others, to Lord President Conway. That poor corporation having received an unexpected affront, nearly touching upon their privileges, they crave his support to a petition for reformation to be presented to the Council.

[Sept. ?] 118. William Boswell, Vicar of St. Laurence, in the Old Jewry, to Bishop Laud. Complains of the composition and conduct of the vestry of his parish, and of indignities received from the Churchwardens. Lat.

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Oct. 1. Hampton Court. 1. The King to Attorney General Heath. Being resolved to send Sir Francis Cottington Ambassador to the King of Spain, to treat and conclude of a peace, the Attorney General is to prepare a Commission for that purpose.

Oct. 1. Cambridge. 2. Commissioners of Sewers for the Great Level of Fens to the King. At a meeting with Sir Anthony Thomas he presented to them his Majesty's letter of the 16th June (*see Vol.* cxliv., *No.* 84), whereupon they desired Sir Anthony to acquaint them with the particular project of his intended work, that they might judge to what persons benefit was to accrue. But he refused to do so unless they would first set a tax of 10*s.* on every acre, which would amount to near 150,000*l.*, which course they held unwarrantable, and that they had no power to bind the country to so unsupportable a charge. Besides they were at the same time offered to have the work done for 35,000*l.*

Oct. 1. 3. Sec. Dorchester to Lord Chief Justice Hyde. The King no way approves the latter part of their letter. His Majesty doth not intend that the prisoners should take the benefit of his letter after they have once refused it, till after submission and pardon for it; wherefore before he will sign his letter he desires to know how the Lord Chief Justice and his brethern will govern themselves, if, after, refusal of his Majesty's grace, the prisoners move for bail, because his Majesty on such a refual is resolved they shall neither have their liberty by his letter, nor by other means, till they acknowledge their fault and demand pardon. [*Minute in the hand writing of Sec. Dorchester.*]

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Oct. 1. Sergeant's Inn. 4. Lord Chief Justice Hyde to Sec. Dorchester. His brother Jones agrees in opinion with the yesterday's letter. Thinks it not possible the prisoners should be so absurd as to stand upon terms of refusing his Majesty's grace. They shall never be bailed by the writer and his brethren but according to the King's letters. If they carry themselves insolently they shall not escape punishment. But if they should be so gross as to refuse to put in bail, and should after desire bail without acknowledging their fault, though the Judges may forbear bailing them for a time, yet bailable they are by law, which the Judges are bound to observe, and they hope they shall do it by his Majesty's favour. They make no doubt but matters shall be carried, both in this and the other business which his Majesty gave in charge to them, to his good contentment. [*Partly mutilated by damp.*]

Oct. 1. 5. Copy of the same made before the mutilation.

Oct. 1. The Strand. 6. James Levingston to Sec. Dorchester. Has procured a true certificate of the death of James Remington, killed by John Eve, in Maldon, which was found manslaughter (*see Vol.* cxlix. *No.* 113). The certificate was obtained by the King's directions with a view to his pardon, but some of Eve's friends say that the King has already granted a pardon, with the whole benefit to some of the Court. Desires to know if this be the case.

Oct. 1. Aboard the Lion in the Downs. 7. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. The Adventure and Tenth Whelp sailed on the 27th ult. for Yarmouth. Expects daily the coming of his fourteen days victuals without which he dare not put to sea. Sir Allen Apsley will promise much, but his officers perform little. Lord Wentworth is there who shall be accommodated in what ship he shall desire, but must stay for their victuals. Exceeding foul weather.

Oct. 1. Basle. 8. Dr. Wolgang Mayer to James Earl of Carlisle. Thanks for having paid his son's debts in London, given him an allowance of 16*l.* per annum, with new clothes, gown, bed, and other things necessary for him at the University, with a letter to the master of his college, which had procured him admission to the bachelors' table, with a tutor and a proper sleeping chamber. Begs his recommendation to the new master so that in due time his son may obtain a fellowship. His influence with Dr. Brooke may obtain anything. Reports news from Piedmont, the north of Italy and Germany.

Oct. 1. 9. Notes by Nicholas, of businesses to be considered by the Lords of the Admiralty. Among them, what proportion of captured pirate ships is to be reserved for the King; arrangements for victualing ships in present employment; guard for the fishermen, the Thames and the Medway; complaints of Sir Thomas Walsingham against Philpot, and of Jacob the diver against the Mayor of Dartmouth; servants of the Earl of Worcester who have violated the jurisdiction of the Admiralty in South Wales; to appoint a time for dispatch of poor men's petitions, presented above six months and never read.

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Oct. 2. Hampton Court.

10. Sec. Dorchester to Lord Chief Justice Hyde. The King having seen their letter, has signed the letters both to himself and the rest of the Judges of the King's Bench, and to the Lieutenant of the Tower, and has commanded the Sec. to let the Lord Chief Justice know his further resolution, that, in case the prisoners refuse his grace, he will recall his letters and rest on that which the Sec. yesterday advertised to be his Majesty's pleasure; that they shall neither have their liberty by his letter, nor by other means, till they acknowledge their fault and demand pardon. His Majesty requires to have knowledge from his Lordship, with the soonest, how the prisoners govern themselves. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 2. Hatfield.

11. Wm. Earl of Salisbury to Sec. Dorchester. Is pleased to give him the use of Theobalds park for his horses. Desires to be sometime participant of his foreign occurrences.

Oct. 2. The Tower.

12. Sir Allen Apsley to Sec. Dorchester. Has received writs of Habeas Corpus out of the King's Bench to bring the bodies of the close prisoners thither the first day of term to show cause of their detention. Mr. Selden whose precedent the rest follow, took his writ out the last day of term, the rest have taken theirs out very lately, and their solicitor alleges that they have them by the same rule of court as Mr. Selden had his. Questions the legality of this. Prays the King's directions what return he shall make. Suggests that he should have the King's pleasure signified under the great seal, which he conceives will free him from the actions of 10,000*l.* a piece, with which they threaten him for not bringing them forth according to law.

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13. Certificate of Dr. John Prideaux, and others whose names have been worn away, in favour of Robert Babb, as an honest and conformable minister.

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14. Minute of a conveyance from Edward Belgrave, of Belgrave, co. Leicester, to Francis Cave, of divers rectories, and lands in Belgrave. [*Underwritten are memoranda as to the title to the Rectory of North Kilworth and Vicarage of Breedon, both in co. Leicester.*]

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15. Account of dispatches received from the Secretary of State, and sent, by Matthew de Quester, to various foreign countries from the 29th May; total charge 103*l.* 16*s.*

Oct. 3. Aboard the Lion in the Downs.

16. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. In favour of Thos. Rabanett to be one of the four Masters of Attendance in place of Mr. Wilson, deceased. Wishes a larger proportion of victuals appointed for them when they go for Holland; fears they may be stayed for an easterly wind.

Oct. 3. King Street.

17. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. The Dreadnought came into Portsmouth on Monday last. She has been lightened for careening, which will be dispatched in two days. Has come to London to know the Ambassador's pleasure about his provisions, but dare not be seen in Court till he has some accoutrements made.

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[Oct. 3.?] 18. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Sir John Heydon. The Dreadnought being appointed to transport Sir Francis Cottington into Spain, begs him to give warrant for the exchange of eight demi-culverins of iron in the Dreadnought for so many of brass out of any of the ships which lie at Portsmouth. The Warspite is the best able to spare them. [*Dated Oct 4, probably by mistake.*]

Oct. 3. 19. Sir John Heydon to Capt. Richd. Plumleigh. His best means to effect the exchange of cannon desired is to solicit the Lords of the Admiralty for a warrant. They only have power in that behalf.

Oct. 3. 20. The same to Nicholas. The King in the writer's hearing said that he would give order to restrain the sale of any iron drakes. On the 2nd of this present month a warrant received for transport of four iron drakes of the lesser sort to the Amazons for the use of that company ; but for any further freedom of sale of that kind of ordnance can hardly conceive that his Majesty would be induced thereunto.

Oct. 3. 21. Articles to be inquired of by the jury of the Court of Admiralty of the Cinque Ports, their verdict being returned at St. James's Church, in Dover, on the 5th November next.

Oct. 4. Sergeant's Inn. 22. Lord Chief Justice Hyde to Sec. Dorchester. He and his brethren being at the Sessions House on Friday, his letters were thither brought to them, and they took present order for bringing the prisoners before them the next day. Their behaviour was temperate and without offence. They objected not to being bailed, but desired to be spared of the good behaviour, thinking it would tend to their disgrace, and might prejudice their cause. The Judges resolved never to bail them without binding them to good behaviour. Long was so bound, and is delivered, and the residue remanded. The Judges desire the King to command the Lieutenant of the Tower to bring them to the Court at the term according to the writs granted at the end of the last term. They shall be sure of no other terms than now are offered to them, which, if they refuse they will make all men witnesses of their insolent spirits, and show themselves to be fitter to be where they are than abroad. [*Mutilated by damp.*]

Oct. 4. 23. Copy of the preceding, made before the mutilation.

Oct. 4. The Tower. 24. Sir Allen Apsley to the same. Gives account of his taking the prisoners above mentioned before the Judges, and of their answers. Only Mr. Long, whereof he seemeth extremely to repent him, was bound. In the condition of imprisonment they now stand, the counsel and solicitors having access from one to the other, and their diet and lodging without charge, he thinks some of them know not where to be better if they were at liberty.

Oct. 4. 25. Information of John Medley, complaining of ill-usage received by him from the armourers at the Tower.

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Oct. 5. York. 26. Thos. Viscount Wentworth, Lord President of the North, to Lord President Conway. Being misinformed, he applied for a warrant for naming cornets and other inferior officers, but being rectified by his Lordship he shall go on in the strength of his Commission of Lieutenancy to do it, as one who desires no other rule for his justification than the practice of former times, which should preserve us from crime if not from blame. Presents his humble service to "my lady," and all his fair cousins. [*Modern copy of original formerly among the Conway Papers.*]

Oct. 5. 27. Half of the sheet whereon the original of the above letter was written, and containing the direction.

Oct. 6. 28. Archbishop Harsnet, of York, to Lord President Conway. Thanks for his noble farewell given him at Court. Their northern cold climate is barren of occurrences worthy his eye or ear. The King has made a noble choice of his great commander there, the Lord President of his Council, who will give a worthy account of his stewardship. The Church is infested with the men of Dan and Bethel, whose hearts are over seas. Wishes their hearts and bodies were confined together. Has spent not hours but days in endeavouring a reconciliation betwixt Sir Richard Hawkesworth and his lady, but there is a venom in the wound which will hardly heal. Will shortly return an account of his doings.

Oct. 6. 29. Copy of the preceding.

Oct. 6. Yarmouth. 30. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the same. The state of the town and fisherfare depends chiefly on the speedy vent of fish and herrings salted and prepared both for foreign markets and the provision of this kingdom, and if they have not their accustomed vent to strangers, (the English taking but very few herrings off their hands,) it will be the ruin of the town. Pray him to favour a petition to the Council for licence to export in stranger's bottoms as many herrings as they were allowed to export last year.

Oct. 6. 31. Mayor and others of Exeter to Sec. Dorchester. Send copies of the indictments found against William Roe (*see* 1629, *Nov.* 9, *Vol.* cli., *No.* 36.) They have caused a stay of prosecution against him according to his Majesty's pleasure. *Underwritten,*

31. I. *Note [by Weckherlin ?] of the contents of the indictments above mentioned. Annexed,*

31. II. *Direction to Sec. Dorchester to require the Attorney General to prepare a pardon for William Roe.*

Oct. 6. On board the Adventure, Yarmouth. 32. Capt. John Mennes to Nicholas. Arrived at Yarmouth on the 29th with the Tenth Whelp. Found the town willing to supply them for three weeks. Five men having stolen a bark from Southampton, bound for Jersey, were forced by contrary winds into Yarmouth Roads, where they were discovered by their simple carriage, and sent to prison. The lading of the ship is worth 1,000*l.* The son of Capt. Gibbon's master is one of them.

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Oct. 6. 33. Articles to be answered by the constables and churchwardens of every parish within co. Oxford, set down by the Justices of Peace at their Sessions. Answers were to be returned to these articles every three weeks.

Oct. 6. 34. Certificate by Dep. Lieuts. of co. Cambridge, of musters in that county, containing the names of the officers and the number of trained men. Total number for co. Cambridge and Isle of Ely, 1,000 men, of whom 461 had corselets, and 539 muskets.

Oct. 6. 35. Account of the present condition of Shotover and Stow Wood, and reply of Robert Earl of Lindsey, to objections to his grant of all the trees therein, save 4,000 for the present use, and 10,000 for the future use of the Navy, made on behalf of the University and town of Oxford.

Oct. 6. 36. Opinion of John Whistler on the validity of a commission to John Bancroft, William Smith, Robert Treswell, and Phineas Pett, whereby they are directed to set out the trees for the Navy in Shotover and Stow Wood, excepted from the grant to the Earl of Lindsey. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 6. 37. Minute of the number of trees for the Navy in Shotover and Stow Wood, set out under a Commission sent by the late Lord Treasurer.

Oct. 6. 38. Particulars of a collection made in Bermondsey Street, and in various parts of London, for a purpose which does not appear. The sum contributed by each person was ordinarily 2*s.* "Mr. Colton, Esquier," and Sir Robert Cotton, gave 6*s.* each. The total sum wanted was 38*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*; that collected was 24*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*

Oct. 7. Hinton. 39. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. Offers of service. Mons. de Soubise has visited the writer. Finds him *plus gaillard que de coutume,* though his pension which his Majesty gave him be behind, as he says, for a year. He likes the peace, though troubled at first at the conditions. People are quiet and in peace without complaint, save for want of money, which everybody is sick of, and not without cause, for people live at such a height that the loss of a coach horse is able to make a man break.

Oct. 8. 40. Sec. Dorchester to Attorney General Heath. The King has commanded the Sec. to let the Attorney General know his pleasure touching the Star Chamber cause for censuring the Jury which acquitted Sir William Withypoll. It should be one of the first handled next term, and therein the Attorney is to take special care that no time be lost, because his Majesty esteems it a matter of ill example that so foul a crime should be suffered to pass so lightly. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 8. 41. Notes by Sec. Coke of answers of the Lords of the Admiralty to various applications; amongst them, to a certificate of the officers of the Navy, respecting Philcott, gunner of the Prince; to a letter of Sir Edward Rodney respecting the claim of Admiralty

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rights by the City of Bristol; to a petition of Sir Thos. Walsingham against Philpot, Bennet, and others, of Faversham; of the Earl of Suffolk, concerning the pretence of Admiralty jurisdiction by the Bishop of Durham; to Robert Tokely's petition, and to that of Jacob the diver, against the Mayor of Dartmouth.

Oct 9. Aboard the Lion in the Downs. 42. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. On Sunday last Lord Wentworth came on board and the writer set him on shore at Calais and came back the same night. Hears no news of their victuals. Those on board will not hold out to the 18th. Has sent the Fourth Whelp to Gore End to attend the coming of it.

Oct. 9. Exeter. 43. Dep. Lieuts. of co. Devon to Francis Earl of Bedford, Lord Lieut. Send various orders issued by them relative to the musters. Think the oath of supremacy necessary, but are unable to tender it without a special commission. Send some cases of stubborn defaulters in the horse. The muster master will send rolls of the foot. Send also examinations concerning the complaint against one Turner. *Inclosed,*

43. I. *List of defaulters in muster of the horse.*

Oct. 9. 44. Deposition of John Breon as to the lading and circumstances of the capture of the ship Our Lady of Conception, carried into Dartmouth by Capt. Smart and there condemned as a prize. The deponent details acts of torture used towards the crew.

Oct. 10. Bristol. 45. Wm. Willett to Nicholas. The St. John of Dunkirk, taken by the Convertive, had come into that harbour. She has been attached by some of Calais, where she belongs, as they report, which if they prove, Sir Thomas Button will be a great loser, therefore he is requested to order Mr. Wyan to be very careful in the prosecution of the suit.

Oct. 11. Hampton Court. Proclamation for preventing the decays of churches and chapels. All persons to whom it may appertain are to take special care as to the keeping of churches and chapels in repair, not relying upon churchwardens' presentments, but personally inspecting the same, and using the power of the ecclesiastical courts. No letters patent for collections are henceforth to be granted except in case of casualty by fire or tempest. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 114.]

Oct. 11. Hinton. 46. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. Lady Heale, who was Sir Francis Heale's wife, and is now the richest widow in that part of the world, is coming to London with her mother, Mrs. Rogers, respecting a dispute with the Earl of Berkshire as to a lease of King's Curry and Penard, held by Mrs. Rogers's late husband for the lives of his wife and Sir Francis Rogers his son. The daughter is said to be worth 50,000*l.* at least, and has a son fit for a wife that is the greatest man of land and estate in that part of the kingdom. Will make the best of his interest with them if Dorchester chooses to employ it.

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Oct. 12. Hampton Court. The King to the Lord Treasurer, the Lords of the Admiralty and others. The late king permitted the East India Company to export 100,000*l.* per annum in foreign gold. Having enlarged their trade into Persia they are licensed to increase that amount to 120,000*l.* per annum, with permission to export 40,000*l.* thereof in English gold, if they cannot procure foreign: of which last sum 10,000*l.* may be exported in the Star which they purpose at this time to send to the East Indies. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 30.]

Oct. 12. Durham House. 47. Lord Keeper Coventry to the King. Has spoken with the Lord Chief Baron and propounded to him that he should petition to be disburthened of that place. Found him much troubled with the sense of the King's displeasure, protesting that it afflicted him more than the loss of any place could do. To the particular propounded he could not suddenly answer, it depending not only on leaving the place, but on the manner thereof. But he promised to return an answer. The writer of himself asked him how he carried the business of arms in his circuit. His answer was:—that in all places he had conference with the gentlemen about it, and in Somersetshire and Cornwall, where only he found some doubt of opposition, he gave it publickly in charge. The writer has had with him all the Judges about settling the government of the Inns of Court, and does not doubt they will satisfy his Majesty's expectations.

Oct. 12. Congregation House. 48. University of Oxford to Sec. Dorchester. Intreat his assistance to prevent the destruction of the woods in their neighbourhood.

Oct. 12. Nicholas to Sir Henry Marten. Sends a letter from Sir Pierce Crosby, who having a prize taken by letters of marque which was brought into Ireland, is desirous to have her tried in the Admiralty there, and labours to procure a Commission to authorize the Judge of that Admiralty accordingly. Wishes him to set down his opinion thereon. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 80.]

Oct. 12. 49. Sir Thomas Aylesbury to Nicholas. Wm. Crompton was placed cook in the Triumph, by the late Duke. Now that she is a ship-royal another has been put into her. Begs his assistance for their old master's sake.

Oct. 12. 50. Thos. Frewen to Endymion Porter. His lord [Lord Keeper Coventry] having revived the King's memory, he encloses a petition to the King for some preferment for the writer's brother. Their desire is, by the death of one Spanish chaplain to fix a badge of the King's favour on another.

Oct. 12. London. 51. Wm. Calley to the same. Understands that the Lord Keeper and Mr. Frewen have recommended to him a suit for preferment of Mr. Frewen's brother, Dr. Frewen, Vice-Chancellor of Oxford. He was tutor to the writer's son. Begs him to put his best forces to it.

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Oct. 13. Hampton Court. 52. Sec. Dorchester to Lord Keeper Coventry. It is the King's pleasure that he should speak more plainly to the Lord Chief Baron, and understand whether he will submit himself to his Majesty's resolution or stand to his trial, in which case his Majesty's resolution is to call him to it. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 13. 53. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. The Lord Chief Justice thinks the best way will be to leave the prisoners in their present or some other prisons, as men neglected, until their stomachs come down, and not to prefer any information at all. The writer dare not subscribe totally to this opinion, nor could he conveniently alter the Chief Justice's opinion with reason lest he should discover too far the King's intentions. The Lieutenant of the Tower says if they have the liberty of the Tower they are out of the King's charge, and he can see there shall be no extraordinary resort to them, and their charge will be deeper than in other prisons. The Clerk of the Crown states there is a necessity for those three against whom the information is prepared—Sir John Eliot, Denzil Holles, and Benjamin Valentine—to be sent to the King's Bench, otherwise they cannot be compelled to answer. This may be done by a warrant from the King to Mr. Lieutenant to carry them before one of the judges, and then on a sudden, and in the evening, they shall come to Sergeant's Inn, and be turned over to that prison and charged with the information.

Oct. 13. 54. Copy of the preceding.

Oct. 13. Hampton Court. 55. Sec. Dorchester to Attorney General Heath. It is the King's pleasure that the information shall go on with all expedition, the nature of the business not permitting neglect. And touching the remove of the three prisoners against whom the information is prepared, if there be necessity, his Majesty likes the course propounded, but it is not there comprehended how there should be necessity, because such as are in process are bound to answer from all places. If he has pregnant reasons for the remove from the Tower to the King's Bench, he will do well to set them down in writing for his Majesty to consider of. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 13. Aboard the Lion. 56. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Thanks for writing to him. It is one of his chiefest comforts to know how things are taken and resolved on. Wishes Dymes's victuals might come to them, for he fears he shall stay long at Flushing for an easterly wind. Begs him to be friend to Rabanett who will be as thankful to him as any has been.

Oct. 14. 57. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Have called before them the pursers of the Third and Tenth Lion's Whelps, but cannot fully report without certificate from Portsmouth. Recommend that another purser be sent down to the Third Whelp.

Oct. 14. Durham House. 58. Lord Keeper Coventry to Sec. Dorchester. Has performed the directions of the Secretary's last letter to the full, and in the end pressed the Lord Chief Baron to a categorical answer, which he

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wrote down presently before the Lord Keeper. It is inclosed to be presented to his Majesty. *Inclosed,*

58. I. *Paper signed by the Lord Chief Baron Walter. Trusts his Majesty will hold it sufficient for him, to show his obedience and humility, to submit to whatsoever his Majesty shall do, but he desires to be pardoned for surrendering his patent for that were to punish himself. Stands with confidence on his innocency and faithful service, and thereof will abide any trial, nevertheless beseeches the King's favour, and that he will remove his heavy displeasure.*

Oct. 14. Whitehall. 59. Edmund Taverner to Sec. Dorchester. Solicits some reward for Mons. Augier. We acknowledge the skill of a violin or harper with good pensions, shall a useful instrument of state be unrewarded? The state has an interest in the encouragement of able and industrious-honest ministers.

Oct. 14. 60. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Beseeches him to get a command to the officers of the navy to see his surgeon's chest renewed. The drugs are old, and some spent, and the proportion too small for such a voyage.

Oct. 14. York. 61. Thos. Visct. Wentworth, Lord President of the North, to [Lord President Conway.] Begs pardon for a few days for not sending up the muster roll of the county. In the meantime he has bound over one Newett to appear before their Lordships. His case is that for these seven years, he has not only refused but scornfully contemned the finding of arms. Being of a whining nature he will make a fair semblance to their Lordships, but in that county where one which finds private arms is of better, there are ten of worse estate. Is a humble suitor that this peevish fellow may be made an example. Unless there be a severe hand held over men of this disposition, his Majesty's ministers shall never be able to effect this important service, there being an universal defection, nay shaking off this duty, almost in every corner of the kingdom. "An age, wherein I wish, with all my heart, men knew less and practised more."

Oct. 14. 62. Sir Edward Bagshaw to Endymion Porter. States how he has provided for the payment of bills of exchange for 555*l.* which Porter has received "there."

Oct. 14. 63. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a grant to the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer, for seven years, of all fines on licences of alienations and on fines and recoveries.

Oct. 15. Chester. 64. Wm. Earl of Derby to the Council. Sends inclosed the certificate of musters for co. Chester received from the Dep. Lieutenants. *Incloses,*

64. I. *Dep. Lieuts. of co. Chester to Wm. Earl of Derby, and James Lord Strange, Lord Lieutenants. Report the military condition of the county.* [*Copy.*]

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II. *Certificate of musters for the county; total number of trained men,* 1,100 *; corselets,* 400 *; muskets,* 700.

Oct. 15. Aboard the Lion in the Downs. 65. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Their month's victuals arrived that day when they were so short that they were fain to give their company their meal in part out of it that day. Sir Henry Vane's being at Dover is deferred until the 20th. A month's provision is but a small proportion at this time of the year. These penurious supplies bring in no profitable account of his time.

Oct. 15. 66. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Explains the reasons of the necessity for the removal of the prisoners in the Tower into the custody of the Marshal, in order that they may be charged with the information about to be filed against them. They shall not appear in Court where they may have opportunity to vent themselves, but the Lord Chief Justice shall send for them on a sudden to Serjeant's Inn, where nothing shall be done but commit them to the prison of that Court, and charge them with the information; bailed they shall not be if they would offer it. The information is ready and to be filed that day. The Lord Chief Justice is resolved that they, if they relent, shall not be bailed until the King be first made acquainted therewith, and the writer will take care that the entry thereof upon record shall be *per mandatum Domini Regis* and not as if done *mero jure.*

Oct. 15. Hampton Court. 67. Sec. Dorchester to Attorney General Heath. The King would have him follow the course indicated in his letter of this day's date, and likes very well of his care in the whole business, as likewise of the Lord Chief Justice's resolution in case any of the prisoners should relent and desire to be bailed. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 15. Aboard the Lion in the Downs. 68. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Captain Duffield shall be welcome in his name. Repeats information contained in his letter to the Lords of the Admiralty of this date. Surely our country martyrs are in love with sufferance and make religion of it, and having no other virtues will leave to memory that they were of the coppersmith's crew to fire the temple of Ephesus. Wishes them more wit, himself more money, and Nicholas all happiness.

Oct. 15. 69. List of Defaulters at musters, in co. Dorset.

Oct. 16. 70. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. On comparing a certificate brought by John Mason, purser of the Third Whelp, with the accounts of Mr. Holt, they found that he had not embezzled provisions, as alleged, but Capt. Gibbon having stated that the certificate is counterfeit, they will examine the truth thereof further. In the meantime they recommend that Mason should be sequestered.

Oct. 16. 71. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Paul Viscount Bayning died, leaving Paul, now Viscount Bayning, his son and heir, within age, and also Cicilie, Anne, Marie, and

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Elizabeth, his daughters. In consideration of 2,000*l.* to be paid to his Majesty's use, the Attorney General is to prepare a grant to the Viscountess Bayning, late wife to the Lord deceased, and mother of the present viscount, of his wardship.

Oct. 16. Hampton Court. 72. Sec. Dorchester to Lord Keeper Coventry. His Majesty is informed how the plague approaches on both sides of this kingdom, as well in Holland, where Amsterdam is much infected, as in France, where the port towns in Britanny, and Rochelle, have it universally amongst them, and that the contagion has been brought over to Scilly. It is to be made a special matter of consideration at the Council, and letters are to be written to the Lord Mayor of London and magistrates of merchant towns.

[Oct. 16?] 73. M. Crofts to Sec. Dorchester. Begs that a gentleman whose name will be made known by the bearer may be knighted. [*In the margin is written, "Mr. Christopher Abdy."*]

Oct. 16. 74. Sir Barnard Grenville to Ralph Bird. Complains of the conduct of his co-deputy lieutenants of co. Cornwall, and begs him to speak to the writer's father, Porter, to get him exempted, or to procure a reformation by the king's command. All these disorders have sprung from the humourous actions of the two late Parliaments.

Oct. 18. Aboard the Lion in the Downs. 75. Sir Henry Mervyn to Capt. John Mennes. As soon as his ship and the Tenth Whelp have performed their present service of guarding the fishermen at Yarmouth, they are to repair to Chatham, and give notice of their arrival to the Lords of the Admiralty.

Oct. 19. Bedford House. 76. Francis, Earl of Bedford, to the Council. Incloses returns of the Dep. Lieutenants as to the musters in co. Devon. *Inclosed,*

76. I. *Muster book of the foot companies for co. Devon. Total of trained soldiers,* 6,403; *pikes,* 2,425; *muskets,* 3,978.

76. II. *List of the troop of horse in the East Division of that county, under Sir Thomas Prideaux.*

76. III. *The like of the South Division under Sir Ferdinando Gorges.*

76. IV. *The like of the North Division under Hugh Fortescue.*

Oct. 19. Scadbury. 77. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Nicholas. Hears that Sir Dudley Digges has been sent for up to answer Sir Thomas's petition. Intreats him that nothing may be done in his absence. Shall make it appear that the Admiralty jurisdiction has been much incroached upon.

Oct. 19. Exeter. 78. Nicholas Spicer to the same. Sent to Sir Thomas Button the letter he received from the Lords of the Admiralty, since which there is no news of the Convertive and Whelps, and the Dunkirkers are so thick about Torbay, and also pirates of our own nation since the peace with France, that no ship can pass free.

Oct. 20. 79. Lord President Conway to Lord Keeper Coventry. Is moved by his daughter, comfortably married in Lincolnshire, to Sir Witham Pelham, to solicit a favourable hearing for Mr. William Hatcliffe. [*Copy.*]

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Oct. 20. 80. Bishop Corbet of Oxford to Sec. Dorchester. He has twice been a humble suitor to the King for release of his first fruits. All preceding kings have granted so much favour to all preceding bishops of that see. The reasons are the same as ever they were, an Act of Parliament exempting universities and all livings within the verge from any such payment. Beseeches him to move his Majesty once more, that he may not complain as that old Roman did, "Duas "res diversissimas conjunxi, invidiam et egestatem:" the envy of a bishop, and the wants of a poor curate.

Oct. 20. 81. Account of Sir Thos. Walsingham for the Vice-admiralty of Kent, from the 23rd August 1628, to this day.

Oct. 21. Sergeant's Inn Fleet Street. 82. Lord Chief Justice Hyde to Lord Treasurer Weston, Edward Earl of Dorset, and Sec. Coke [Lords of the Admiralty.] They had desired to know the reasons of the prohibitions granted in two cases, one between Cremer and Tokely, and the other touching Sir John Heyward. The former was an action on a contract concerning land, sued in the Admiralty contrary to a statute of 2nd Henry IV.; the latter touched the title of wreck, which by the 15th Richard II. is to be tried in the King's Court, and not by the Admiralty Court. Prohibitions have not been more numerous of late, and if the officers of the Admiralty will be as careful to contain themselves within their proper jurisdiction, as the judges will be of encroaching upon that which pertains to them, their Lordships will not be troubled with complaints of this kind. [*On the back of this letter are notes taken by Nicholas, of proceedings in the Court of King's Bench, apparently on a motion to quash the prohibition in Tokely's case.*]

Oct. 21. 83. Copy of the preceding letter.

Oct. 21. Ragley. 84. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Answers complaints respecting some lean does lately sent up, and reports on the accounts of certain of the tenants.

Oct. 21. 85. "Relation how the Judges of the King's Bench have proceeded "with those gentlemen of the Parliament, now prisoners in the "Tower and elsewhere, a little before the term, and since the "beginning thereof until this present Wednesday, Oct. 21."

[Oct. 21 ?] 86. Petition of divers Freemen of London using the art of jewelling, to Edwd. Earl of Dorset, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen. Her Majesty referred to the Earl a dispute between Francis Simpson, her jeweller, and the petitioners, touching his employment of strangers to do the work of the petitioners. The Earl gave petitioners leave to take a course against Simpson, after a time now expired. But Simpson, on 31st August, obtained an order from the Council to impress workmen for the Queen's service, under which he protects all strangers, and employs none of the petitioners. Pray for redress.

Oct. 21. 87. Petition of the same to the Council. State the circumstances above mentioned, and pray either that the Earl of Dorset's order may stand, or that petitioners may be left to their rights as subjects.

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[*The order of* 31*st August* 1629, *was this day cancelled. Reg. Concil.* v. 463.]

Oct. 21. 88. Note signed "Jo. Wriothesley," of apparel remaining at Deptford, serviceable and unserviceable.

Oct. 22. Minories. 89. Sir Wm. Gardyner to Sec. Dorchester. Begs him to go on with a business, in which he procured a reference from his Majesty. The writer's brother-in-law, Sir John Heydon, a true servant to Dorchester, will furnish the necessary information.

Oct. 22. Petworth. 90. Henry Earl of Northumberland, to the same. This last good fortune is more to the States than either the taking of Bois le duc, or the surprise of Wesel. The Earl's son Henry is going to travel as a younger son, and not in pomp. Begs Dorchester to advise him.

Oct. 22. 91. Sir Edward Bagshaw to Endymion Porter. Thanks for pains taken concerning the fees due to the writer and Mr. Cave. Mr. Cave had served in his office these 20 years and upwards, and the writer ten, and they had increased the customs of that port from 600*l.*, per annum to 5,500*l.*, in nine years.

Oct. 22. 92. Note of the proceedings against Peter Smart, clergyman, of Durham, principally with the view of shewing how far Sir John Lambe had been mixed up therein.

Oct. 22. 93. Another similar paper of notes, but fuller than the preceding.

Oct. 23. 94. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Adventure having been fifteen months at sea is said to require cleansing and repair. Submit the propriety of calling her in for that purpose.

Oct. 23. Portsmouth. 95. Francis Brooke to Sec. Coke. Has received Order of Council to deliver the Esperance to Nicholas Braunt. Shall obey the order, but suggests that it ought to have come through the Lords of the Admiralty, the ship having been kept long at great charge.

Oct. 23. 96. Note of cordage aboard the Martha and the Ann, newly arrived from Russia.

Oct. 25. 97. Lord President Conway to Patrick Hume. Articles received from his father, touching the motion between his brother and the writer's daughter, so far differ from what was formerly treated, as give cause to think his father has taken up some dislike, and makes use of that way to break the treaty. Lord Conway will not vary from the former conditions, and has so written to Patrick Hume's father.

Oct. 26. Heywood. 98. Henry Earl of Marlborough, to Sec. Dorchester. The Secretary's affection was the chiefest legacy left the Earl by his father. Would have waited on him but for a long sickness. The bearer has been kept out of a small office which the Earl's father gave him. A word of the Secretary's mouth would restore him, if the memory of the writer's poor old father may move him to it.

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Oct. 26. 99. Officers of the Navy to Nicholas. To move the Lords of the Admiralty for a letter to those whom it may concern, to forbear to trouble the officers of the yard at Deptford respecting bearing arms, or executing parish offices.

Oct. 26. 100. Article 6, of Instructions for Capt. Richd. Plumleigh, of the Dreadnought, employed to the southwards with the Third Lion's Whelp. He is to receive aboard Sir Francis Cottington, ambassador extraordinary to Spain, with his followers, and to transport them to such place in Spain as the ambassador shall direct. After landing them he is to return to the Downs with the first opportunity. [*Copy*].

Oct. 27. The Tower. 101. Sir Allen Apsley to Sec. Dorchester. Among all the parliament men and others that have been prisoners there he finds none to parallel these prisoners. The Earls of Oxford, Arundel and Lincoln often and humbly petitioned his Majesty. Sir Robert Phillips and Mallory besought the King's mercy, and Sir Edward Coke did the like, setting down "MERCY," in great capital letters, but these prisoners will not so much as petition that they are sorry the King is offended with them, although in discourse they cannot deny but he is a traitor that is not so. Has drawn such a warrant as he thinks fit for the present occasion. The ordinary warrant is simply that A. B. now close prisoner is to have the liberty of the Tower.

Oct. 27. 102. Names of such persons "as were refractory," that is, made default in attendance at a muster this day, at Bridport, of Capt. Hoskyns's company of the trained band for co. Dorset. The first person named is "Paul Dewes, Esq."

Oct. 28. Aboard the Lion in Margate Road. 103. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Leaves the Fourth Whelp to come after him, for she has no sails or cables to keep sea this weather. In the great storm on Tuesday night a new ship came on ground on the Long Sand. The mariners all perished. The men of Ramsgate put off and found nobody on board but a dog. She is laden with copper and goods for Spain. The Ambassador has chosen the Brill or Maes for his landing, whither no man who knows the danger would hazard such a ship at this time of year; but the writer's command is to land him where he pleases. Hears the Marie of the East India Company has put into Scilly and has lost most of her men. If the Company desire a convoy the writer begs Nicholas to think of him. Intends to sail that night.

Oct. 29. 104. William Larder to Capt. John Prust at Suffolk House. Sends a book of his company of trained bands for co. Dorset, with list of defaulters. "Let Sir Henry Rosewell rest until the next return, for some reasons best known to myself."

Oct. 30. Bristol. 105. Capt. Edmund Button to Nicholas. The Frenchmen have procured a commission out of the Admiralty to sequester the ship, and one of the commissioners wished the writer to give up possession to the Frenchmen, but he declined until he had order and a discharge.

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Oct. 30. Bristol. 106. Wm. Willett to Nicholas. Gives a fuller account of the circumstances mentioned in the preceding letter.

Oct. 30. Adventure in Harwich Road. 107. Capt. John Mennes to the same. Having received orders from Sir Henry Mervyn to repair to Chatham after their employment for the fishermen was done, on the 28th they sailed from Yarmouth. Next day he arrived at Harwich where he expects a fair wind. The Whelp has lost his company. Extremity of foul weather. Loss of several States men of war. The Dunkirkers are very quiet. Had met only three, which he had chased.

Oct. 31. Whitehall. 108. The Council to the Officers of the Customs of the port of London. Warrant to suffer the East India Company to export 50 tons of saltpetre, brought from the Indies, and 1,000 barrels of gunpowder, the King's stores and Mr. Evelyn being sufficiently supplied. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 31. Winyard. 109. Bishop Goodman of Gloucester to Endymion Porter. Would not willingly give him a denial, and if his mother entreats he must be commanded. The apparitor's place in Camden deanery shall be conferred on his servant as soon as can be, without wrong to another; so the Bishop has signified to Dr. Sutton and Dr. Baber, his chancellors. If the latter should want Porter's help at Court, he will find him a very honest and thankful man.

Oct. 31. Broad Sanctuary. 110. Bishop Field of St. David's to the same. Prays him to represent to the King the causes which detain him there. They are:—Want of health and means of recovery in that desolate place, his diocese, where there is not so much as a leech to cure a sick horse; his estate left in untrusty hands required his presence; the ways at all times steep, craggy and Welshly tedious, are now deep and dangerous. Hopes his Majesty will not deny him his winter suit, but be as God unto him, who desires not the death of a sinner, neither will the King the death of a most loyally faithful subject.

Oct. 31. 111. Account of John Griffith, Vice-Admiral of North Wales, concerning wrecks happened from Michaelmas 1628, to Michaelmas 1629. This account relates principally to the wreck of a ship coming from Ireland, in "winter last," in which ship the Earl of Desmond was lost. The accountant mentions the finding of a trunk belonging to the Earl and the recovery of his writings. David Prythergh, a pedlar, and his son were committed to prison for rifling the trunk, and were still lying there in much misery and want.

Oct. 31. 112. Expenses of the stable of Lord President Conway for one week; 8*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.*

Oct. 31. 113. Receipt from Sir Miles Fleetwood for 2*l.* 5*s.* 8*d.*, paid by Thos. Cotton into the Court of Wards for rent of lands in co. Derby, late of John Pewtrell.

Oct. 114. Wm. Earl of Banbury to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for furthering a suit of the Earl's to the King. Is old and lame, and fit

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for no use, but attends his Majesty and his friends with his prayers, and because things between the King and his people be gotten to extremities he wishes sovereignty to be maintained. Let all men, whosoever they be, smart rather than the least point thereof should be any way lessened; and let not the King be author of severity and other men mediators of clemency, so as they become their creatures; but for mercy let them be beholden to the King himself.

[Oct. ?] 115. Form of oath to be ministered under the Commission for Inquiry after Exacted Fees and innovated offices.

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Nov. 1. Leyden. 1. John Dinley to [Sec. Dorchester ?]. Sir Francis Nethersole and the writer being both aspirants for the office of Master of Requests have come to a mutual understanding that, on the first vacancy, Sir Francis shall be put forward for that place, and the writer be suggested as his successor in the post of Secretary to the Queen of Bohemia. Dorchester is requested to concur with the Earl of Carlisle in promoting this arrangement.

Nov. 1. 2. Bill of services and disbursements of Sir John Finet, Master of the Ceremonies, for attendances upon Ambassadors from 1st April 1629 to this day; total, 229*l.* 12*s.*

Nov. 2. On board the Lion, before Gravelines. 3. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. On the 29th Oct. put over for Holland with the Ambassador. The next day came to anchor before Goree. Next morning the ambassador went into the Miniken, and so for Brill. The 30th the writer stayed a ship of Hamburgh laden with deal board and pipe staves bound for St. Lucar. Incloses her papers, and has sent her into the Downs. To-morrow will stand in before Dunkirk to wait for Don Carlos.

Nov. 2. 4. Report of Sir Walter Mansell, Maurice Bowen, John Gwyn, and David Vaughan to the Lords of the Admiralty on the petition of Richard Herbert (*see Vol.* cxlix. *No.* 80.) Find that he was put out of his office of Town Clerk of Kidwelly solely on account of his absence, and the office sold for 10*l.* to William Davis. The Mayor and his brethren are so obstinate that they will not yield to any reasonable end.

Nov. 2. St. Bartholomew's. 5. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. An unkindness has arisen between herself and the Earl of Peterborough by reason of some intrusions and imperious carriages in the exercise of hunting warrants in the forests of Moorehay and Westhay, which lie round about her house at Apthorpe. She thinks such warrants ought to be forborne. They gratify but a few, and are grievous to many, not as they are in themselves, but as they are by high spirits commonly executed. No man needs to have them but such as desire to insult over others. Solicits the King's protection against the Earl, and his favour to her son.

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Nov. 2. On board the Convertive, Kinsale Harbour.

6. Sir Thomas Button to Sec. Dorchester. On the 2nd October stood for the Land's End. On the 4th was crossed with so extreme a storm that he was forced, after six days beating in the sea, with much danger, and great damage to the ship, to bear up for Ireland. On the Friday following arrived in the harbour of Cork, and on the 20th in that place. Has sent the Fifth Whelp to scour the Western ports; but is forced himself to apply to the Lords Justices for victuals. If they supply them not, they are like to starve or disband, for neither butcher, brewer, or baker will give them credit for a groat, and answer that the last time they did it, they were driven to come to England for their money, and to attend three quarters of a year there, and some of them to spend all they had in the world before they could get their own. If these businesses be not better settled, the King's service will be much dishonoured. Loud complaints of his gunner, boatswain, and carpenter of the shortness in quantity and badness in quality of their stores. These inconveniences did not exist in former times. Thanks for his favour in reference to the Dunkirk ship.

Nov. 2. Kinsale.

7. The same to Nicholas. Recapitulates the account of his movements and want of victuals given in the last letter. Will be thankful for his pains in the business of the Dunkirk ship. Desires to be remembered to the Lords Steward and Chamberlain, with his love and service to noble Sir Benjamin Rudyerd, and his love to Mr. Oldisworth, and Mr. Thoroughgood, and various others, and entreats Nicholas to be his buckler towards the Lords of Admiralty for not doing more than the elements will give leave. Let Sir William Killigrew know that his son is well, but so sick a man at sea as the writer's eyes never saw the like.

Nov. 2. On board the Lion before Gravelines.

8. Sir Henry Mervyn to the same. Repeats in short the information in his letter of this date to the Lords of the Admiralty.

Nov. 3. Westminster.

Grant to William Earl of Pembroke, Lord Steward, of the benefit of the wardship of Rich. Neville, son and heir of Sir Henry Neville, deceased. [*Sign Man., Car.* I., *Vol.* xi., *No.* 31.]

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9. Petition of Sibell Aley, widow of Capt. John Aley, who with his two only sons perished on the retreat from Rhé, to the King. By the death of her husband and sons she and her four daughters are left in extreme want. She has found out that Thomas Emerson deceased, took a lease of the late King of lands in co. Durham, at the rent of 550*l.*, in which lease were two clauses of nomine pœnæ, one for not enrolling the lease at 20*l.* for every year's default, which continued ten years, to the forfeiture of 200*l.*, and the other of 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for every year's default in payment of rent at the times reserved on which there is a forfeiture of 160*l.* Not being willing to be chargeable to the King she prays for a grant of these forfeitures. *Underwritten,*

9. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to report what he thinks fit. Whitehall,* 1629, *Nov.* 3.

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9. II. *Report of Attorney General Heath. It seems at first sight an extremity to require so great a sum nomine pœnæ, where the rent itself is since paid, but when he considers that anciently under such circumstances the estate was forfeited, and this of late years reduced to a pain, he conceives that where there is negligence the pain should be paid when the King requires it, and it will be a good means to quicken the tenants.* 1630, *Jan.* 1.

9. III. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer to give order to the Attorney General to prepare the solicited grant. Newmarket,* 1630, *March* 2.

9. IV. *Lord Treasurer Weston to the Attorney General to prepare the grant accordingly. Wallingford House,* 1630, *April* 28.

Nov. 3. Whitehall. 10. The Council to Nicholas, as Clerk of the Council extraordinary. Warrant to repair to the house of the Earl of Clare, and there to seize his books and papers, and the same to seal up in safe rooms, taking order that the doors be made fast.

Nov. 3. Alscot. 11. Richard Brawne to Endymion Porter. Was sorry to hear that his and his lady's wilfulness was so rewarded, but glad he scaped so well, on his last parting from them. When the name of sheriff crosses his way begs him to think of the writer.

Nov. 3. Rawreth. 12. Dr. John Browning to Bishop Laud, at his house near St. Paul's Church. Mr. Hooker, lately in question before the Bishop, still continues his former practices. Begs the help of the Bishop's authority, if not to the suppressing and rooting out such an one, at least to the defending those who live in obedience. The renowned Bishop of Winchester [Andrewes] stated to the writer that one Mr. Hooker was silenced in his diocese on the complaint of King James. Begs Bishop Laud to consider whether this be the same man or no. It is thought the people thereabouts being over much addicted to "hearing the word," as they call it, to the neglect of God's service and worship, great heart-burnings may arise against the suppressors of this man and his lecture. Offers his service for quieting the people on Hooker's removal.

Nov. 3. 13. Note of such persons as were at St. Winifred's Well upon St. Winifred's day. Lord William Howard, the Earl of Shrewsbury, Sir Cuthbert Clifton. Sir John Talbot, Lady Falkland, and with her Mr. Everard the priest, are among the persons enumerated. The total number of knights, ladies and gentlemen is said to have been 1,400 and about 150 priests. It is stated that "Mr. Arrowsmith's clothes, and the knife that cut him up, are at Sir Cuthbert Clifton's house."

Nov. 4. Westminster. Warrant to pay to John Bland of London, merchant, 145*l.* 13*s.*, interest on 2,000*l.* lent to the King.

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Nov. 4. Whitehall. 14. The Council to Nicholas, as Clerk of the Council extraordinary. Order, in conformity with his Majesty's express pleasure, that he should seize and seal up all the papers and writings of the Earl of Somerset, with all boxes and trunks found in any place where his writings may be, either in the city, at Chiswick, or elsewhere.

Nov. 4. 15. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. The writers sold one of his Majesty's four pinks to John Delabarre for 118*l.*, and the other three to Benjamin Stone for 318*l.* 10*s.* These sums were agreed to be paid on the 11th of August last, but still remain unpaid.

Nov. 4. Portsmouth Road. 16. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. That day they are clear of the harbour of Portsmouth; to-morrow morning they shall sail for Lisbon. The officers of the navy have been slack. Their surgeon's chest and new cables came on Saturday last. Ever since the wind has hung contrary. The ambassador [Cottington] thanks him for his letter.

Nov. 5. 17. Petition of Wm. Boswell, M.A., one of the Clerks extraordinary to the Council, to the King. The King's father passed the hospitals of St. Leonard's and St. John's, in Northampton, to certain patentees with whom the petitioner has dealt for their estates. Prays the King to re-incorporate St. John's as a lay hospital, confirming the petitioner as the first master, according to the ancient foundation, and to settle St. Leonard's on petitioner and his heirs. *Underwritten,*

17. I. *Sec. Coke to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare grants in accordance with the above petition. Whitehall,* 1629, *Nov.* 5.

Nov. 5. From the Tenth Whelp, Chatham. 18. Capt. John Dymes to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has brought his ship to Chatham. They are altogether destitute of victuals. His men have neither meat, drink, nor money till order be taken for them.

Nov. 5. 19. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. To prepare grant of baronetage for Alderman Robert Drury, with discharge of money usually payable for that dignity.

Nov. 5. Pendennis Castle. 20. Sir Wm. Killigrew to Sec. Dorchester. This morning there arrived in Falmouth two Dutch ships, which have brought 24 Englishmen found at sea, planters in the islands of St. Christopher, who have related to the writer the taking and rifling of those islands by a Spanish fleet. About the 15th Sept. there came four Spanish ships into the haven of Mevis, who were followed by 30 others; nine English ships fought with them a day and a night, but were taken, with the Islands of Mevis and St. Christopher. In the latter island 400 English fled to the mountains and were succoured by the Indians.

Nov. 6. Westminster. Grant of protection to Sir Anthony Thomas for one year.

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Nov. 6. Westminster. Warrant to discharge Alexander Stafford of 150*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and of a bond to the King for certain pollard and dotard trees in Hanworth Park, co. Middlesex. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 34.]

Nov. 6. On board the Lion in the Downs. 21. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Recapitulates the circumstances stated in his letter of the 2nd inst. (No. 3). On the 4th stood in for Dunkirk for Don Carlos, and sent in his boat with his lieutenant. Don Carlos was at Brussels, but his provisions and servants were at Dunkirk. A messenger was despatched away to him, but the wind blowing stiffly, and they not acquainted with the road, put to sea and came into the Downs, where they hear no news of the stayed Hamburgher. On the next change of wind they will stand over for Dunkirk.

Nov. 6. Yarmouth. 22. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to Sec. Coke. The fishermen have had a greater abundance of herrings than in any year for twenty years past, which for their encouragement the corporation of Yarmouth has taken off their hands. Cannot hear that the Turkey merchants intend to take them, therefore pray for licence to export 1,000 lasts in strangers' bottoms.

Nov. 6. The Downs. 23. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Repeats the information contained in his letter to the Lords of the Admiralty of this date. Put twelve of his men aboard the Hamburgher and therefore thinks her safe enough. Begs the remainder of his three months' victuals may be ready on his return from Dunkirk, that he may not have farther cause to displease.

Nov. 6. London. 24. Archbishop Harsnet, of York, to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador at the Hague. "God send you to miss your errand, and a speedy return," and yet prays for as good success of his employment as his own heart. Is in London insperato, inexpectato. On Tuesday evening were sent Mr. Vice-chamberlain and others to seal up Sir Robert Cotton's library, and to bring himself before the Council. There was found in his custody a pestilent tractat, which he had fostered as his child, and had sent abroad into divers hands, containing a project how a Prince may make himself an absolute tyrant. This device he had communicated to divers lords who, on his confession, are questioned and restrained; the Earl of Somerset to the Bishop of London, Lord Clare to the Bishop of Winchester, and Lord Bedford to the writer knows not whom. Cotton himself is in custody. God send them well out! Has no place to retire himself to so far as to put on his rochet. Begs the use of Sir Henry's lodgings at Court.

Nov. 6. 25. Affidavit of Michael Meysey, one of the Messengers of the Chamber, that Samuel Vassall, on the 29th October last, by one of his servants, drew out a staple of a door post of a warehouse at Chester Quay, where one of the King's locks was hanging to keep possession of certain currants until the duty should be paid thereon, and carried off certain butts of the same currants before any part of the duty was paid. [*Not sworn.*]

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Nov. 6. 26. Information of Michael Meysey to the same effect as the preceding, but addressed to Attorney General Heath, and sworn before Baron Denham.

Nov. 7. London. 27. The King to Sir Thomas Crooke and others. Commission out of the Court of Admiralty to inquire for, and take into their custody, a Spanish galleon captured by ships of the East Indies, and lately cast away at Castlehaven, in Ireland, with all goods on board the same, and to make a return thereof to the Court of Admiralty of England sitting at the Guildhall in Southwark.

Nov. 7. 28. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. Sent for the Frenchman prisoner in the Marshalsea and heard his relation, since committed to writing, and now inclosed. The principal points are, that an officer of the King should make himself a pensioner to a foreign prince in the way of intelligencer; and that he should receive and dispense money for the benefit of the party of the Papists. The disobedience of the proclamation for arresting Bishop Smith, is, with the others, a subject fit for his consideration.

Nov. 7. 29. Copy of the same, much damaged by damp.

Nov. 7. 30. Sir Thomas Canon to Lord Treasurer Weston. Reports the shipwreck of a small Spanish vessel in Milford Haven, laden with wheat and tent wine. Cargo taken possession of and sold by David Gwyn.

Nov. 7. Doddington. 31. Sir John Peyton to Sec. Dorchester. Accounts it among his ill fortunes in his length of days not to be personally known to the Secretary. Thanks for favours to the writer's son, and for having graced his grandson, Robert, with a letter to Lord Tilbury.

Nov. 7. Slaugham. 32. Walter Covert to Thomas Earl of Arundel and Surrey, and Edward Earl of Dorset. A pinnace, of Dunkirk, driven ashore at Worthing by the States men-of-war. The crew of 66 men betook themselves to the land, and were conveyed by Capt. Poole to Shoreham. The country people, according to their inhuman custom, took the goods out of the Dunkirker and cut and spoiled the same.

Nov. 7. 33. Memorial of goods received into the Dreadnought, the Adventure, and the Fourth Lion's Whelp, by their captains, Plumleigh, Mennes, and James Bamford, and landed in England for the use of merchants, to the prejudice of the customs.

Nov. 8. 34. Sir Guilford Slingsby to the Lords of the Admiralty. Recommends Matthew Sylam to be Master Gunner of the Prince Royal, if, after examination, Peter Philcott be displaced.

Nov. 8. 35. Francis Bassett to Nicholas. Sends prize accounts and examinations of men taken since the peace by the French. Comments on various prize business. *Inclosed,*

35. I. *Certified examination of the captain of an English ship captured by the French and taken into Sherborough*

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[*Cherbourg*]. [*So much damaged by damp that only a small fragment of it remains legible.*]

35. II. *Another similar examination, damaged in the same manner.*

Nov. 9. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Philip Burlamachi 3,570*l.*, for interest of money lent on the Crown Jewels in parts beyond sea. [*Sign Man., Car.* I., *Vol.* xi., *No.* 35.]

Nov. 9. Whitehall. 36. Sec. Dorchester to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a pardon for Wm. Roe, of the offences mentioned in the indictments annexed. *Annexed,*

36. I. *Indictment against Wm. Roe, of Crediton, co. Devon, mercer, for stealing at Exeter four pounds of saffron from Nicholas Carwithie.* 1629, *Oct.* 5.

36. II. *Indictment against the same for stealing at Exeter certain loom work and thread from George Langworthy.* 1629, *Oct.* 5.

Nov. 9. Stanford. 37. Eleanor Lady Roe to Sec. Dorchester. Understands the great danger her husband (Sir Thomas Roe) has passed through. He has written to her to solicit the Secretary to speak to the King or the Lord Treasurer. Has sent this letter by Sir Maurice Berkeley, a nephew of her husband's. If he cannot comply with her request, she must come up to petition the King.

Nov. 10. 38. Petition of the King's poor and distressed tenants of the manor of North Wheatley, co. Nottingham, belonging to the Duchy of Lancaster, to the King. The King having sold the manor to the City of London, and they to John Cartwright and Thomas Brudenell, the tenants complain of various invasions upon their ancient rights. *Underwritten,*

38. I. *Reference to the Commissioners for sale of the King's lands for their opinion and advice. Whitehall,* 1629, *Nov.* 10.

Nov. 10. 39. Petition of the Governors of the Charterhouse to the King. Since the decease of Thomas Sutton the lands mentioned in the schedule annexed have been purchased in the names of feoffees in trust, out of his personal estate, according to his will. Pray for a license for the petitioners to purchase the said lands from Samuel Martyn, John Clarke, and Bryan Wotton, the trustees, notwithstanding the Statute of Mortmain. *Annexed,*

39. I. *Schedule above mentioned. It comprises Blacktoft, co. York; Higney, co. Huntingdon; Fulstowe, co. Lincoln; Hartland, co. Devon; Little Wigborrow, co. Essex, and a rent out of Balsham, co. Cambridge. Underwritten,*

39. II. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer for his advice. Whitehall,* 1629, *Nov.* 10.

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39. III. *Report of the Lord Treasurer, that it will be little inconvenience to the King, and much more convenient to the petitioners, to grant them the licence desired.* 1629, *Dec.* 21.

39. IV. *Reference to the Attorney General to draw the necessary bill. Whitehall,* 1629, *Dec.* 29.

[Nov. 10 ?] 40. Petition of Katherine, daughter of John Gerrard, of New Sarum, gent., to the King. Petitioner, by seduction of Sir Edward Baynton, of Bromham, co. Wilts, and promise of marriage on the death of his wife, had had two children by him, and now was left by him without means. Prays the King to call Sir Edward before him, and command him to take a present course for her relief.

Nov. 10. 41. Brief of articles objected in the High Commission Court against Sir Edward Baynton and Katherine Gerrard.

Nov. 10. 42. Petition of Robert Prickett, preacher of the town and garrison of Portsmouth, and to the King's Ordinary for his ships there, to the Lord Treasurer and the other Commissioners for the Navy Royal. By reason of the forbearance of pay to the garrison and ordinary petitioner is brought somewhat behind. Some of his creditors have taken out execution against him for debts already paid, and he cannot leave home to get the same remedied by law without danger of arrest. Prays that he may not be arrested for debts without leave first obtained.

Nov. 10. 43. Sir John Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. Formerly was stayed from waiting on the Secretary by indisposition of the wife of Sir John Cutts. She is miraculously recovered by drinking of wormwood beer. He is now stayed because there is antipathy between him and the mists of London. Hears of abridgements at Court. If anything of this kind concerns his poor place, desires his assistance.

Nov. 10. On board the Lion, in the Downs. 44. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Will set sail for Dunkirk that morning. Presumes the Spanish ambassador expects the King's ship. When at Dunkirk he was desired to solicit that the men driven ashore by the Hollanders near Margate, being now in prison at Dover, might be released. They use our English more courteously, giving them money to carry them to Calais without imprisonment, which they will not do hereafter if their men are hardly dealt with here. The fly-boat of Hamburgh is at Dover. Desires order to send her up, or release her, on his return.

Nov. 10. 45. Beneficed clergy in co. Essex to Bishop Laud. Have heard that he has been informed that the conformable ministers of those parts desire the removal of Thomas Hooker, preacher at Chelmsford. The undersigned (49 in number) esteem and know Mr. Hooker to be for doctrine, orthodox, for life and conversation, honest, and for disposition, peaceable, no ways turbulent or factious. Recommend him to the Bishop's favour, and intreat his continuance there.

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Nov. 10. 46. Award of Richard Hayes and John Turrell, arbitrators chosen for the settlement of disputes between William Holloway, William Garfoot, and Peter Witham, of the one part, and Robert Tallcott of the other part, respecting the right to lay down certain pipes in the Lord's land in the parish of St. Mary's, Colchester. [*Attested copy.*]

Nov. 12. Westminster. Pardon to Henry Bibrest for rape on Rose Winsley to extend to his life only. [*Sign Man., Car.* I., *Vol.* xi., *No.* 36.]

Nov. 12. Whitehall. 47. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to make certain alterations in a bill signed for a grant to Robert Brett.

[Nov. 12.] 48. Petition of Robert Brett to the King. Prays his Majesty to sign the warrant above mentioned, with underwritten certificate of the Attorney General that the petitioner mistook his instructions, and that the aim of his present application is to rectify the bill signed according to the truth of the case. [*See* 1629, *Sept.* 8.]

Nov. 12. 49. Petition of Richard Michell, shipwright, and Edward Foreman, boatswain of the Judith ketch, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Pray payment of moneys laid out on the Judith, for which they have waited and solicited for six months.

[Nov. 12 ?] 50. Petition of Sir James Perrott, for eighteen years Deputy Vice-Admiral of South Wales, to the same. Complains of a Commission out of the Admiralty, obtained by Sir Thomas Canon, under which he had procured men, with promise of profit, to overvalue the casualties so as to surcharge the petitioner. Prays for examination of this abuse.

Nov. 12. 51. Wm. Towerson, jun., to Lord President Conway. A ship has arrived from St. Christopher's with relation of the taking of that island by the Spaniards, according to the inclosed examination. The channel is full of Dunkirkers, and the ship of the examinant was last night chased within shot of Southsea Castle. *Inclosed,*

51. I. *Examination of William Cock, master of the Plough of London. Relates the circumstances of the capture of the Island of St. Christopher by a large fleet of Spaniards, together with the Great Carlisle, the Costly, the Jane Bonaventure, the Plough, the Great Hopewell, the Elizabeth and other English ships.* 1629, *Nov.* 12.

Nov. 12. 52. Sir James Perrott to Wm. Earl of Pembroke. Relates the circumstances under which a commission complained of (*see No.* 50) had been sued forth by Sir Thomas Canon, and solicits the aid and protection of the Earl.

Nov. 12. 53. Brief of the state of the accounts of Sir William Heydon and Sir John Heydon, and of other accounts relating to the office of the Ordnance.

Nov. 12. Newmarket. 54. Sir Roger North to Marmaduke Moore. Sends muster rolls for co. Suffolk, and intreats that the Lord Lieutenant [Theophilus Earl of Suffolk,] will take some special course for making examples of three defaulters—James Seely, John Spalding, and Edward Foster.

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Nov. 12. 55. Inventory by Wm. Drake of Admiralty tenths of the St. Catherine, taken by the Hopewell, of Weymouth, and of the St. Judith, taken by the Falcon.

Nov. 12. 56. Similar Inventories by Sir John Drake for the Nostra della Stella taken by the Judith, of Weymouth, the King David, taken by the Coramooch [Scaramouch], and the Gift taken by the Swan.

Nov. 13. The Tower. 57. Sir Allen Apsley to Sec. Dorchester. He was drawn in by degrees, and drew in his friends and creditors, for above 60,000*l.* After two or three years forbearance he had had passed to him 20,000*l.* in lands, and on laying down 10,000*l.* in money he had had a forest passed to him for 10,000*l.* more of his debt. The King also on his petition, moved by that ever-living Duke (whose heart and soul was the King's) granted the reversion of the Custos Brevium of the Common Pleas to the writer and his son Allen, after two lives in being. After the grant had passed a defect was found therein, that his son was under age, whereupon another grant was passed in the names of four or five trustees during his son's life. This has been stayed by the Lord Keeper, to whom, twelve months ago, the King promised to speak on the subject. Begs the Secretary to move him to do so.

Nov. 13. St. Mary Axe. 58. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. Recommends Robert Seaborne to succeed to the gunner's place of the Red Lion in place of John Rawlins, deceased this morning at Rochester.

Nov. 13. Bristol. 59. Wm. Willett to Nicholas. Received the inclosed letter about Capt. Harrison's business, and has made a settlement, provided a full discharge can be given to the parties interested. Solicits his assistance therein. *Incloses,*

59. I. *Lord President Conway and Lord Privy Seal Manchester to William Willett, customer of Bristol. Wish him to effect an accommodation of the difference between the men of Sallee and those of Bristol. The King wishes those of Sallee to have as free and speedy justice as his own subjects. Whitehall,* 1629, *Nov.* 4. [*Copy*]

Nov. 13. 60. Le Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to his father-in-law Sir Thos. Wolseley. Solicits his favour. Advises him not to give over much credit to "the Baronet." Begs him to redeem the writer's wife's pearl, in pawn for 16*l.* The Council not finding cause for the writer's banishment, have recalled their warrant, which he regrets, as it would have given him an opportunity to see his mother, and settle an estate come to him on the death of his elder brother.

Nov. 13. 61. Dep. Lieuts. of Dorset to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Lieut. Have held musters for that county, but in spite of their endeavours by persuasion no pay has been yielded to the muster-master. Inclose return of strength of trained bands. Recommend to his care the state of Portland, Sandsfoot, and Branksey castles. Balance of 1,780*l.* still due to the county for billetting the army

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returned from Cadiz, and some of the Deputy Lieuts. are now called in question by the billeters by suit in the Exchequer. Pray for a stay of this vexation, and satisfaction of the above amount, and also of 2,600*l.* for billeting the troops returned from Rhé. *Inclose,*

61. I. *Muster-master's certificate of trained forces of co. Dorset; totals*; *horse,* 100; *footmen,* 2,350; *of whom, corslets,* 1,010; *muskets,* 1,340.

Nov. 13. 62. Account of payments ordered to be made in anticipation of the revenue; total, 229,310*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.*

Nov. 14. Whitehall. 63. The King to Attorney Gen. Heath. To take a surrender of the manor of Totham cum Goldhanger, co. Essex, from Sir Garrard Sammes, and to prepare a re-grant of the same in socage.

Nov. 14. 64. Petition of Wm. Richardson, the younger, to the Lords Commissioners for the Admiralty and Saltpetre. Gave 100*l.* for a commission for making saltpetre in cos. Worcester, Hereford, and Salop, and bestowed 200*l.* in necessary victuals; but on the death of the Earl of Totness, was supplanted by John Giffard and Thomas Hilliard. Prays to be restored to his place. [*Indorsed is a note by Nicholas of the answer to this petition: the Lords displaced the petitioner, because he never brought in his proportion of saltpetre, but sold it away.*]

[Nov. 14?] 65. Account of the saltpetre brought in by William Richardson the elder, and William Richardson the younger, from 1 August 1627, to 30 April 1629.

Nov. 14. 66. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. His health not permitting his attendance at Court, he recommends to the Secretary a suit, which Sir John Oglander has to offer to the King for a son of his, a scholar in Winchester School.

Nov. 14. Whitehall. 67. Sir Thomas Morgan to Nicholas. His Lord attending the King to Eltham, commanded the writer to solicit Nicholas, to move the Lords of the Admiralty for a commission to try the 23 poor prisoners, who remain in Cardiff gaol for piracy.

Nov. 14. 68. Le Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Sir Thomas Wolseley. The broker who had his pearl seeks to cozen him out of it, and has drawn his maid to stand as a witness of the delivery. Prays him to procure a warrant from the Lord Chief Justice for their examination separately. Begs him not to give credit to the aspersions of "the Baronet," who has laboured "Mathew," to enquire out what actions are against the writer, that he may be charged withall. [*Underneath is an addition addressed by Benjamin Dakins, the actual writer of the above letter to Sir Thomas, giving farther particulars of the alleged fraud respecting the pearl.*]

[Nov. 14?] 69. Information exhibited in the Star Chamber by Attorney General Heath against Francis Earl of Bedford, Robert Earl of

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Somerset, John Earl of Clare, Sir Robert Cotton, John Selden, and Gilbert Barrell, for publishing and divulging a seditious libel, entitled "The proposition for your Majesty's service, containing two "parts; the one, to secure your estate, and to bridle the imper-"tinency of Parliament; the other, to increase your Majesty's "revenue much more than it is."

Nov. 15. Whitehall. 70. Declaration made by the King to the Council, of the cause for which the Earls of Clare, Somerset, and Bedford, Sir Robert Cotton, and sundry other persons, had been lately restrained, being the same set forth in the last article, and of his Majesty's pleasure that they should answer their offence in the Star Chamber, and should now be freed from restraint; and that, although the studies of Sir Robert Cotton should remain shut up, he might enter therein and take such writings whereof he had use, provided he did it in the presence of a clerk of the Council.

Nov. 15. 71. Copy of the same.

Nov. 15. St. Martin's Lane. 72. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. Sent his servant to the Frenchman, to require him to put down the names of such whose discovery might tend to the surety of his Majesty's person or estate. Sends his answer. The ways of this man have ever been like a mountebank's; yet from lesser discoveries than these great evil intentions have been brought to light. Remits the matter to his examination.

Nov. 15. On board the Lion in the Downs. 73. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. On the 11th went for Dunkirk to attend the Spanish Ambassador, but he had not obtained his dispatch on all points. Complains of the insufferable neglect of the captain of the Minniken [Bamford], who, since he landed the Ambassador at the Brill, has lain loitering about Gravesend, employing the ketch to his own ends. Begs to be allowed to turn him out of the ketch, and put in some other. They might restore him on submission, for he is an able man; a little punishment would make him know his duty, and leave sharking. Will observe their directions respecting the Nightingale of Hamburgh.

Nov. 15. 74. John Giffard to Nicholas. When William Richardson the younger was discarded from being saltpetreman, the writer was appointed for seven years. Hears that Richardson is suitor to be re-appointed, and pretends to have some information against the writer. If Nicholas hears of anything that affects Giffard, begs him to acquaint his friend, Mr. Flower.

Nov. 15. The Downs. 75. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Will give order for the unlading of the Nightingale. If Mr. Alcock send not their remainder of victuals, the Lord Treasurer must hear the old song. Which would have been most for the King's honour, to have continued the Adventurer and Whelp in victuals and wages at sea, or in harbour? but things may mend now new councillors are chosen. Complains of Capts. Bamford and Dunning. Recommends John Fortescue,

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mate of the deceased gunner of the Red Lion, for the vacant place. He will be thankful to Nicholas in as full manner as others.

Nov. 15. The Downs. 76. Sir Henry Mervyn to Edward Earl of Dorset. Recommends John Fortescue for the vacant gunner's place in the Red Lion. Sir Henry vows to God that his recommendation has no price. *Incloses,*

76. I. *Certificate of master-gunners of John Fortescue's sufficiency.* [*Mutilated.*]

Nov. 15. 77. Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Sir Thos. Wolseley. In answer to some one who had reported that he was the son of a clown, he gives a minute account of his parentage and descent. This account is attested with his seal of arms, and his signature witnessed by various persons. Having made this declaration, he declares that he will not further trouble himself unnecessarily with the dispute thereof.

Nov. 16. Westminster. Discharge to Peter Sanderson and to the executors of William Burton, of the rent of 7,850*l.*, reserved upon a licence for importation of 60,000 lbs. of tobacco in one year, granted by the late king, the same having been duly answered. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 37.]

Nov. 16. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Fanshaw, son of Sir Thomas Fanshaw, and John Keling, of the offices of Coroner and Attorney of the King's Bench, in reversion after Sir Thos. Fanshaw. [*Ibid., No.* 38.]

Nov. 16. 78. Petition of Sir Richard Grosvenor to the Council. In April last the King granted him a protection for one year. Thomas Bennet, a creditor of Peter Daniel, petitioner's unfortunate brother-in-law, although served with the protection, yet, in conjunction with Thomas Seaman, his attorney, vehemently prosecutes petitioner, and proceeds in law to overthrow the protection. Prays that Bennet and Seaman may be sent for by warrant. [*Thomas Seaman was sent for by the Council this day, and discharged on the day following, on his promise no further to oppose Sir Richard's protection. Council Reg., Car.* I., *Vol.* v., *p.* 496.]

Nov. 16. Bristol. 79. Mayor and others of Bristol to the Lords of the Admiralty. According to commandment they made a return of the ships and mariners belonging to their port.

Nov. 16. London. 80. Archbishop Harsnet, of York, to Sir Henry Vane. Yesternight his Majesty sat in the Council and commanded that devilish project found upon Sir Robert Cotton to be read over. The writer never heard a more pernicious, diabolical device. The King declared his intention to have the parties released, but prosecuted in the Star Chamber. They were severally called in before the Lords, the King having risen. Two never spake word expressing any thankfulness. Two expressed much thankfulness, which were the Earl of Bedford and Sir Robert Cotton. St. John and James are still in prison. Is of opinion it will fall heavy on the parties delinquent. Viscount Falkland reseated of the Council; he had been

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Councillor before his going into Ireland. Dr. Bowle, Dean of Salisbury, to be Bishop of Rochester. Fowler, a giddy merchant, has been committed for withstanding a warrant in a matter of landing currants without paying tonnage.

Nov. 16. 81. News-letter, or advertisements of intelligence, sent from London apparently into Ireland. It principally relates to the prosecution of the Earls of Clare, Bedford, and the rest, on account of the project before mentioned (*see Nos.* 24, 69, 70, 80.) At that time the MS. had been traced back only to "one St. John, a young lawyer of Lincoln's Inn," who was in the Tower, and, as was thought, in some danger of the rack. The appointment of Archbishop Harsnet, of Viscount Wentworth, and of the Earl of Northampton, as Privy Councillors is also mentioned; also the arrival of Viscount Falkland from Ireland, being met, as he came into town, by his friends in about thirty coaches; his gracious reception by the King, and appointment as a Privy Councillor; the capture of St. Christopher's by the Spaniards, and anticipated arrival of an ambassador from Spain, are also stated.

[Nov. 16.] 82. Modern copy of the same.

Nov. 16/26. Caen. 83. —— Samborne to Nicholas. Thanks for favours. Solicits orders for canvas. Condolence on the loss of Nicholas's "worthy friend" [the Duke of Buckingham.] God can raise him friends who can bring him to greater dignity.

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Nov. 17. Westminster. Warrant to cause the rent of 6,000*l.* per annum, and the moiety of the profits above that sum, reserved on the farm of the Customs in Ireland, to be paid into the Exchequer there, notwithstanding they were reserved payable into the Exchequer in England. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 39.]

Nov. 17. 1. Petition of Robert Chamberlayne, late Gunner of the George, drumbler, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having been deprived of his late place, prays to be appointed gunner of the Lion.

[Nov. 17?] 2. Certificate of Capt. Thomas Ketelby of the good conduct of Robert Chamberlayne whilst gunner of the St. Claude.

Nov. 17. 3. Petition of Robert Smyth, Messenger Attendant on the Lords of the Admiralty, to the same Lords. Rode to Dartmouth, and thence brought up Pascho Jago and John Crewkerne, late Mayor and Town Clerk. Being discharged they refuse to satisfy him without directions from the Lords. Prays directions accordingly.

Nov. 17. 4. Petition of the conformable part of the Clergy of the Diocese of London and co. Essex to Bishop Laud. Pray him to take the

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state of his diocese into consideration, and without relaxing the tie by which the petitioners stand obliged to the lawful ceremonies of the Church, to enforce the irregulars to conform with the petitioners; and if any are found to be either superstitious or profane, that he will "proceed with t'one and t'other" according to his wisdom and discretion. [Signed by 41 incumbents of parishes in Essex.]

Nov. 17. Oxford. 5. Report of Dr. Wm. Juxon, Dr. John Bancroft, and Dr. Gamaliel Bridges to the Council, on certain differences between the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church, Oxford, and the students of that house. The disputes turned principally on the amount of allowances made to the students. The report states fully the several allegations of the students, the answer of the Dean and Chapter, the replies and rejoinders of the students and the Dean and Chapter, and the observations of the Commissioners, who confined themselves to ascertaining the facts, and referring them to the consideration of the Council.

[Nov. 17?] 6. Account exhibited to the referees above mentioned by the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church, in which appears the amount of their income, and its mode of appropriation.

[Nov. 17?] 7. Reply of the students to the preceding account of the Dean and Chapter.

[Nov. 17?] 8. Articles of covenant annexed to the Book of King Henry VIII's valuation of the revenues of the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church, referred to in the observations of the referees above mentioned on the allegation of the students respecting the King's allowance.

Nov. 17. 9. John Popham to his cousin Endymion Porter. Intreats him to use his endeavours that the Lord Treasurer would be present on Monday next, on the hearing of a cause between the writer and Sir Thomas Hinton.

Nov. 17. Southampton. 10. John Knapp to ——. William Nichols conveyed out of the Hopewell, from St. Christopher's, about 4 cwt. of tobacco, and when Mr. Cannon and the writer required the tobacco to be carried to the King's storehouse, Nichols drew his dagger, and swore he would thrust it in them if they meddled with any tobacco there.

Nov. 18. Westminster. Warrant to pay to James Maxwell, one of the grooms of the bed chamber, 2,100, in reward of service performed to the King. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 40.]

Nov. 18. Westminster. Pardon to William Roe for stealing goods from Nicholas Carwithie and George Langworthy. [*Ibid., No.* 41.]

Nov. 18. 11. Petition of James Heydon to the King. His Majesty bestowed on the prisoner certain cross-bows remaining in the Tower, for which he undertook to make a pond on Hounslow Heath, for breeding and storing the river with fowl, at a cost of 200*l.* But he has not made 50*l.* of the cross-bows. Prays the King further to bestow on him

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the waste iron pieces and shot, lying about the Tower. [*Underwritten is a reference to the officers of the Ordnance to know the value of the waste iron alluded to.*]

Nov. 18. 12. Petition of Abraham Johnson, Robert Ramsey, and Bartholomew Cloyse, a German engineer, to the same. Johnson has invented and shown to the King engines to mount water high by less strength of man, and to draw weight with less strength of horse, than can be done by any means now known; and Cloyse has invented engines to get up mud out of rivers, to clear grounds from superfluous water, and "to blow water on height for quenching of fire." Pray that all persons may be prohibited from using these inventions for 14 years. [*Underwritten. Reference to the Attorney General to prepare Letters Patent for the sole using of these inventions accordingly. Whitehall,* 1629, *Nov.* 18.]

Nov. 18. Whitehall. 13. Order of Council. His Majesty has received information of the unseemliness and deformity appearing in Cheapside, by reason that men of mean trades have shops there amongst the goldsmiths, which it is his pleasure to have reformed. The two Lords Chief Justices are to consider what laws there are to enforce the goldsmiths to plant themselves for the use of their trade in Cheapside, Lombard Street, and the parts adjacent, and to return a certificate thereof in writing. *Underwritten,*

13. I. *Appointment for the parties whom it may concern to attend the Chief Justices.* 1630, *April* 21.

Nov. 18. 14. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Send certificate of persons of best experience appointed to survey Mr. Harby's cordage aboard the Martha and the Ann. It appears that the cordage made at Chatham and Woolwich is stronger than the Russia cordage; if materials were provided, his Majesty might always be served with cordage without unnecessary cost.

14. I. *Certificate above mentioned.* 1629, *Nov.* 13.

Nov. 18. Ragley. 15. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. The bearer brings a brace of does, the best killed there in many years. Has paid for the carriage 13*s.* 4*d.* Details of accounts and other affairs there.

Nov. 18. 16. Names of certain ministers beneficed within five miles of Chelmsford: three added, and apparently one struck out by Bishop Laud.

Nov. 19. Regrant in socage to Sir Garrard Sammes, of the manor of Little Totham, co. Essex, with licence to enclose 200 acres for a park for deer. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 42.]

Nov. 19. 17. Officers of customs of London, and masters of the Trinity House to the Lords of the Admiralty. To remedy the loss sustained by small barks accustomed to trade for Calais, Rouen, and Dieppe, such trade being now carried on in French vessels, it is suggested that for all those places the vessels should go by turns, first an English bark then a French. *Inclosed,*

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17. I. *Considerations to be had in regulating the lading of shipping for Hamburgh, Amsterdam, Zealand, and Rotterdam, chiefly by turns as recommended above for France.*

Nov. 19. 18. Copy of the preceding letter and inclosure, made for Lord [Dorchester?] who is to remember the same at the next conference with the French and States ambassadors.

Nov. 19. On board the Convertive, KinsaleHarbour. 19. Sir Thomas Button to the Lords of the Admiralty. Ever since his arrival in that kingdom, there has been such extremity of storms, that no ship has been able to sail for Bristol. Sends Capt. Rice with the Ninth Whelp to let them know the cause of his stay. Order for victuals from the Lords Justices arrived last night. Upon his life will not lose an hour of what he may gain by leave of weather. Begs order to the customer that they may be supplied when they come to Bristol.

Nov. 20. Westminster. Congé d'elire to the Dean and Chapter of Rochester, that see being vacant by promotion of the late incumbent to the bishopric of Bath and Wells. Lat. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 43.]

Nov. 20. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Susan Countess of Denbigh, 500*l.* in full of 1,500*l.* disbursed by her in buying a rich bedstead and furniture for the King. [*Ibid., No.* 44.]

Nov. 20. Westminster. Presentation of Thomas Barton, M.A., to the rectory of Eynesbury, co. Huntingdon, void by simony. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 45.]

Nov. 20. Westminster. Grant to Edward Wilson and John Haslam of the offices of Forester of Kettlewell and Bowbearer of Wensleydale and other petty offices, co. York, void by the death of John Robinson. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 46.]

Nov. 20. Westminster. Protection to William King, one of the Messengers of the Chamber, for one year. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 47.]

Nov. 20. Westminster. Royal assent for Walter Curle, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, to be Bishop of Bath and Wells, that see being vacant by death. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 48.]

Nov. 20. 20. Lord President Conway to Sir George Croke, justice of the King's Bench. Recommends to his service John Merrell, many years clerk to Mr. Justice Chamberlain. [*Draft.*]

Nov. 21. Bibury. 21. John Randall to Sec. Dorchester. Expresses his penitence for some misdemeanour committed in the presence of "his great honour," and the Secretary, under the influence of a satanic delusion. The writer was a clergyman.

Nov. 20. Bristol. 22. William Willett to Nicholas. Reports progress in unlading the prize sent in by the Convertive. Will report in person ere long as he is coming up to put an end with Capt. Harrison. Expects some of Sir Thomas Button's fleet with the next westerly wind, their victualling being near out.

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Nov. 21. Whitehall. 23. The Council to Archbishop Harsnet of York. Send copy of a letter written to Sir Richard Hawkesworth, and pray him to see that Sir Richard conform himself thereto. [*Copy.*]

Inclose,

23. I. *The Council to Sir Richard Hawkesworth. The Archbishop of York, who was prayed to inform himself respecting the differences between Sir Richard and his lady, having reported that he had endeavoured in vain to settle those differences, but was of opinion that their child should remain either with Sir Henry Goodrick and his lady, being the grandfather and grandmother, or with his mother, the Council wholly approve that opinion, and appoint that Sir Richard shall pay for his maintenance* 30*l. per annum, and forbear the suit commenced against Sir Henry Goodrick, for detaining the child. The Archbishop and the Lord President of the Council of the North have been charged to see to the performance of this order.* [*Copy.*]

Nov. 21. Westminster. Dispensation to David Stokes, M.A., to hold with a prebend of Windsor and chantership of Chichester, his fellowship in Eton College, during his life. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xi. *No.* 49.]

Nov. 21. Westminster. Grant of Incorporation to the Master, Warden, and Fellowship of Taylors in Oxford. [*Ibid., No.* 50.]

Nov. 22. 24. Report of Lord Keeper Coventry on an annexed petition of William Robinson, registrar of affidavits in Chancery, and John Robinson his brother. The late King granted the said office of Registrar of Affidavits to Richard Frampton for life, and the reversion to the petitioner William Robinson and Zouch Allen. William Robinson being in possession and all the other parties dead, he prayed for a new grant to himself and his brother. The Lord Keeper reported in favour of granting the prayer of the petition. *Underwritten,*

24. I. *Reference to the Attorney or Solicitor General to prepare a bill accordingly. Whitehall,* 1629, *Nov.* 22. *Annexed,*

24. II. *Petition above mentioned of Wm. Robinson and John Robinson to the King.*

24. III. *Reference to the Lord Keeper for report. Greenwich,* 1629, *June* 10.

Nov. 22. Fleet. 25. Sir Richard Grosvenor to Mr. Osbolston. It was by his means that, through Lord Dorchester, the writer procured a protection. Some of his creditors have endeavoured to make the same fruitless. One of them, Thomas Bennett, has carried himself violently, saying the Lords were abused, and the business a base business, and Sir Richard a base fellow, and a smooth-tongued puritanical companion. He presumes on the favour of Sir Humphrey May. Begs him to acquaint Lord Dorchester, and to entreat him to stand the writer's friend on the hearing before the Council.

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[Nov. 22?] 26. John Giffard to the Lords of the Admiralty. Reasons why he cannot leave the making of saltpetre in cos. Worcester, Hereford, and Salop, without great prejudice to his reputation and estate.

Nov. 23. Westminster. Pardon to Robert Wright, late of Southwark, brewer, for clipping coin. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xi. *No.* 51.]

Nov. 23. Westminster. Revocation of a presentation of Robert Babb to the vicarage of Milverton, co. Somerset, void by simony, and presentation of Thos. Wood, B.D., to the same. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 52.]

Nov. 23. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Philip Burlamachi 11,500*l.* for pictures and statues, for which the King has contracted with Daniel Nys, or as stated in the docquet, Daniel Lys, merchant. [*Ibid., No.* 53.]

Nov. 23. 27. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare bills for granting to Robert Henley and Samuel Wightwick the office of Chief Clerk for enrolling pleas in the King's Bench, lately surrendered by the said Attorney General and Sir George Paul; and also for confirming to the said Chief Clerk all his rights, &c.

Nov. 23. Mitton. 28. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Sends 100*l.* Long details of accounts with the tenants at Ragley, and of an accident to a mare which fell into a well eleven fathom deep, and was got out with great difficulty.

Nov. 23. Her house in Dean's Court, Westminster, where the Earl of Bristol lay the last Parliament. 29. Mary Croft to the same. Has a business to acquaint him with which will prove beneficial to him, and time must not be foreslowed. Begs him to come to his house in Westminster, and send a servant to let her know when he is there.

Nov. 23. 30. Examination of Chevalier Bois Gaudry in the handwriting of Secretary Coke. Relates his services in procuring information for the late Duke of Buckingham, who carried him with him to dinner at the Lord Mayor's, and thence to the Duchess of Richmond's, where the King and Queen were. On the King's return to Whitehall, witness was brought to him by the Earl of Holland, and, in the duke's presence kissed the King's hands. Mason, who now follows the Marquis Hamilton, and taught French to "Lady Mary Buckingham," was sent to fetch the writer in a coach, by the duke. His information came through Sir Robert Ouseley [Wolseley] and Bartlett his agent.

Nov. 23. The Downs. 31. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Begs him to favour the bearer, whom Sir Henry formerly wrote about, and who is now come up to solicit for the place of gunner. If the cook of his ship should die, prays that William Sparkes may be appointed. If he has not a speedy supply of victuals, he shall complain in richer phrase, and give over penurious language. If the [Fourth] Whelp is not to be re-victualled, begs for a warrant to send her in. Peter White is at Dover, unlading the Hamburgher.

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Nov. 23. 32. Copy, as stated in Bishop Laud's indorsement, of three Sermons preached by Mr. Edwardes [of St. Botolph] without Aldgate, about Obedience, on Titus iii. 1.

Nov. 24. 33. Agreement between Dr. Humphrey Ayleworth, Bray Ayleworth, and Lucy his wife, made on the mediation of Lord President Conway, for settlement of disputes between Sir Rich. Tracy and Bray Ayleworth and his wife, sister to Sir Richard.

Nov. 24. 34. Notes of examinations, in the handwriting of Sec. Coke, concerning Pere Monseau, one of the Queen's priests, the Chevalier Bois Gaudry, Mr. Gifford of Shillington, Walter Coleman, a bull said to have been brought into England to allow Recusants to go to church twice a year, and other matters relating to Roman Catholics.

Nov. 24. 35. Account of Sir Clement Cottrell, Vice-admiral for co. Lincoln, of profits of his vice-admiralty from 20 Oct. 1628, until 1 Nov. inst., total 5*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* At the end of his account he enumerates the lords of manors who claimed wreck along the sea-coast of his vice-admiralty.

Nov. 25. Whitehall. 36. The Council to Sir David Foulis. They have communicated to the King his letter, with the two writings annexed. The King is contented with the freedom and ingenuity of his answer; but it is thought necessary that he come up thither, and bring with him a letter specified in the Proposition [for bridling the insolency of Parliaments], at the summing up the account of the value of the projects. [*Draft in the handwriting of Sec. Dorchester.*]

Nov. 25. Donington. 37. Henry Earl of Huntingdon, to the Council. Sends account of the musters for co. Leicester. The foot are complete; the horse much better than they were. The officers from the Low Countries are fully satisfied. *Incloses,*

37. I. *Certificate of forces in co. Leicester. Totals, trained bands,* 500; *private arms,* 500; *corslets,* 411; *muskets,* 589; *horse,* 100.

Nov. 25. On board the Ninth Whelp, King Road, near Bristol. 38. Capt. Anthony Rice to the Lords of the Admiralty. Transported the Earl of Cork into Ireland, and Lord Falkland into England. Put out from Kinsale the 23rd, with six days victuals. Sir Thos. Button had received order for victuals for the Convertive and the Fifth Whelp for 20 days; but of Rice's ship there was no mention. Solicits victuals, ten more men, and four additional pieces of ordnance.

Nov. 25. North Berwick. 39. Sir John Hume to Lord President Conway. Since the receipt of his last letter, the Lord Chancellor [of Scotland] has been very sick, and still keeps his bed. If Lord Menteith be coming down, suggests Lord Conway's speaking to him to dispatch the business. Sends articles which he hopes will need no alteration. They differ from the former only on three points, which he comments upon. *Incloses,*

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39. I. *Abbreviation of the articles which Sir John Hume is content to agree to in the treaty of marriage between Sir George Hume and Mistress Mary Conway.*

Nov. 25. Toddington. 40. Sir John Tracy to Lord President Conway. Sends a present of venison, and hopes his health may be such, that Sir John may say he has been honoured by Lord Conway's eating of it.

Nov. 25. The Downs. 41. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Sends certificate of victuals on board the [Fourth] Whelp, that he may see her necessity. Letters from France relate, that new articles of peace 'twixt us and France were proclaimed last week at Bordeaux, with freedom of commerce; also a remonstrance of much favour to those of the religion, and the King of France is going or gone for Italy, with an army of 80,000, which is 40,000 above the ballad. The Hamburgher will be unladen this day. *Inclosed,*

41. I. *Certificate of Capt. Jo. Richardson and others, master and officers of the Fourth Whelp of what victuals are left in her on the 24th Nov. inst.*

Nov. 25. 42. Charge of munition on board the Prince, riding at Chatham; Peter Philcott, gunner.

Nov. 25. Florence. 43. [William? Villiers] to [Endymion Porter.] Has not had any of his pension paid since his departure, although Porter obtained the King's order for it, and his promise for its continuance. Intreats him to remind his Majesty.

Nov. 25. 44. Report of Richard Hore and Richard Parne, preservators of the forests of Shotover and Stow wood, as to the improper manner in which trees reserved for ship timber had been selected.

Nov. 26. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Abraham Williams, agent for the Lady Elizabeth, or to Philip Burlamachi, 1,500*l.* monthly, for defraying the charges of the household of the Elector Palatine and the said Lady Elizabeth. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 54.]

Nov. 26. Westminster. Discharge to Robert Ducie, of the money ordinarily payable on grant of a baronetcy. [*Ibid., No.* 55.]

Nov. 26. Westminster. Licence to Sir Thomas Thynne, sheriff of co. Somerset, to reside at Long-Leat, co. Wilts, during his shrievalty. [*Ibid., No.* 56.]

Nov. 26. Westminster. Grant of Baronetage to Robert Ducie, Alderman of London. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 57.]

Nov. 26. Westminster. Protection to William Todderick, the king's servant, for one year. [*Ibid., No.* 58.]

Nov. 26. Whitehall. 45. The King to Attorney General Heath. To correct a clerical error in the bill lately signed containing a grant to Pembroke College, Oxford, of the advowson of the church of "St. Tooles" in Oxford.

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Nov. 26. Aelnefoot. 46. Deputy Lieutenants and others of co. Cumberland to the Council. On the 24th instant, arrived a ship of 40 tons, pretended to be a prize taken from the Spaniards. The writers have agreed, on the desire of the master, on the first spring tide to remove the ship into Workington, and cellar up her goods, until the King's pleasure be signified. Inclose examinations. *Inclosed,*

46. I. *Examinations taken before Sir Patricius Curwen and others, of Cornelius Discar and others, the ship's company of a vessel bound for Dunkirk, but captured by the Spy of Dover, and driven ashore by tempest. They give a brief account of the capture and subsequent course of the ship. Since her capture she had been called the George of Dover.* 1629, *Nov.* 24.

Nov. 26. On board the Lion, in the Downs. 47. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Gives account of what goods were found on board the Nightingale, and desires to know if he shall discharge her.

Nov. 26. 48. Sir Henry Marten and Attorney General Heath, to the same. Report on the dispute between the Earl of Worcester and Mr. Herbert, respecting the right to a pinnace driven ashore at Oystermouth, co. Glamorgan. The reporters recommend the trial of her crew, whether they be pirates or not, and the sequestration of the vessel in the mean time.

Nov. 27. Westminster. Warrant to the Lord Treasurer to pass to Edward Sydenham one of the King's equerries and Anne his wife (one of the daughters and co-heirs of Sir Edward Cooke deceased), a pension of 600*l.* per annum, on surrender by the said Edward Sydenham of his present pensions amounting to 400*l.* per annum. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xi. *No.* 59.]

Nov. 27. Westminster. Grant to Edward Earl of Dorset of the offices of high steward, of the Honor of Grafton, cos. Northampton and Bucks, with the keepership of the parks of Grafton and Hartwell as formerly granted to the late Duke of Buckingham. [*Ibid. No.* 60.]

Nov. 27. Westminster. Dispensation to William Peterson, one of the King's Chaplains in ordinary, to hold the rectory of Porlock, co. Somerset, together with the rectory of Diptford, co. Devon.

Nov. 27. Weymouth and Melcombe Regis. 49. Mayor of Weymouth to the Council. There are come into the chiefest place of the harbour, two French ships of war, who say they are two of the French King's ships employed to scour the Narrow Seas of pirates. The writer sent to them to see their commission, and they refused to bring or send it, but sent him a copy, as they say, which he incloses. The town has been once burnt by the French, and the inhabitants are afraid what mischief these Frenchmen intend.

Nov. 27. 50. Dr. Ny. Styward to Lord President Conway. Since one point of the difference between Mr. Scrope and the writer is whether there were 297 acres, or no, of the corn which Mr. Scrope sold, the

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writer prays that the Lord President and Sir Humphrey May would appoint some person to measure the ground and report to the King.

Nov. 27. 51. Sir Sackville Crow, Sir Thomas Aylesbury and Dennis Fleming to the Lords of the Admiralty. The matters laid to the charge of George Nusom [Newsom,] keeper of the house in London where the officers of the Navy meet for dispatch of business, are most of them proved to the contrary, and the poor man has already suffered beyond the quality of any offence objected, having been beaten by Sir Guilford Slingsby's man, and by Sir Guilford, felled with a pocket pistol, his head broken and he left for dead, his hair tugged off, suspended from his place, and at last turned out of doors; for redress whereof the writers would reinstate him but Sir Guilford threatens to thrust him out again, which wilfulness they leave to the judgment of the Lords.

Nov. 27. On board the Lion in the Downs. 52. Sir Henry Mervyn to the same. Reports his having stayed the Peter of Shoreham, Richard Graseden, master, laden with barley. The master has no papers and gives contradictory accounts of himself. Prays immediate instructions, for the corn begins to heat. Beseeches them to remember the supply of victuals for his ship and the Whelp.

Nov. 27. Sandwich. 53. Gerard John Vossius to Sec. Dorchester. His arrival at Canterbury, admission into a canonry, and friendly reception there. Acknowledgment of the great honours paid to him in England. Should have returned to London from Canterbury, but finding a ship of war about to sail with a fair wind he intended to take ad-advantage of it and return to Flushing. Begs the Secretary to excuse his sudden departure to the King. Lat.

Nov. 54. The Downs. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Comments on the contradictions of the master of the vessel laden with corn mentioned in his letter of this date to the Lords of the Admiralty, *No.* 52. P. S. Meat, for the Lord's sake, for poor prisoners.

Nov. 28. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Arthur Hopton, Secretary to Sir Francis Cottington, Ambassador extraordinary to Spain, 20*s.* per diem from 26 October last. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xi. *No.* 62.]

Nov. 28. 55. Petition of Richard Michell, shipwright, and Edmund Foreman, boatswain, of the Judith, to Wm. Earl of Pembroke, one of the Lords of the Admiralty. The Earl having sent to the Officers of the Navy to inform him what course were most fit, to pay the petitioners for their employment above bridge, in the Judith, under Sir Alexander Napper, they pray for speedy payment.

Nov. 28. 56. Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Sec. Coke. Sir Thomas Wolseley and Sir Robert and his lady have been with the writer, desiring him that if ever he wishes for liberty he should deny the information which he had given against them. Indignantly refuses to do anything of the kind. Lord Coventry will be astonished when he finds

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how Sir Robert has taken advantage of him. The priest Walter Colmer has not been arrested as the Sec. had directed. The pursuivants are too fond of money to be able to serve the King.

Nov. 28. Suffolk House. 57. Prospectus in the hand-writing of Sec. Coke, and apparently agreed to at a meeting held this day at Suffolk House, for the institution of a Company of Adventurers for competing with the Dutch in their fisheries. A stock of 11,000*l.* or 12,000*l.* was to be raised; preparation to be made for building, as a commencement, 40 busses; and a committee was appointed, which comprised Sir John Wolstenholme, Burlamachi, Sir William Russell, Peter Rycaut, and others.

Nov. 29. Chester. 58. Wm. Earl of Derby to the Council. Sends muster-roll for co. Lancaster, with copy letter of the Deputy-Lieuts., which he prays them to have read before them for their better satisfaction. *Inclosed,*

58. I. *Dep. Lieuts. of co. Lancaster to Wm. Earl of Derby and James Lord Strange, Lord Lieuts. Report the writer's proceedings in taking the musters of co. Lancaster.*

Nov. 29. On board the Lion in the Downs. 59. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Daily complaints of English taken by Dunkirkers have given him cause to consider the redress thereof. The Hollanders have many brave ships in our seas, and when the winds are such that the Dunkirkers cannot come out, they lie close to their town, but when the wind gives them an outlet, the Hollanders stand over for the English coast, and as soon as they have intelligence that they are gone, they ply to the westward, a day after the fair, with such a noise as if they intended wonders. Complains of the Hollanders victualling their ships with 1,400 or 1,500 men from Sandwich, which differs not from transporting victuals. If the Lords would let him have 6 ships with a pink and a pinnace, the charge for which would be 18,347*l.* 6*s.* per annum, he should hope to do the state some acceptable service.

Nov. 29. On board the Lion in the Downs. 60. The same to Nicholas. Sends the above letter, and prays him to put the Lords in mind of their victuals. Has written to Sec. Coke, who haply will be more careful therein than some others. Is weary of complaining of pursers who disorder by their cheating the whole service.

Nov. 30. Westminster. Warrant to repay to Jeffrey Kerby, of London, 20,000*l.* lately paid into the Exchequer by way of loan. [*Sign Man., Car.* I., *Vol.* xi, *No.* 63.]

Nov. 30. 61. Sir Nicholas Poyntz to Lord President Conway. Having received the King's reference, solicits the Lord President to call before him the writer and his counsel, who will make it appear that there was never so unjust a proceeding against a gentleman of Sir Nicholas's rank.

Nov. 30. Adisham. 62. Dr. Walter Balcanquall to Sec. Dorchester. The next month is his month of waiting. Some no great friends to a Synod of Dort's man may misconstrue his absence to his Majesty. Begs the

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Secretary to excuse his absence to his Majesty by reason of having broken his leg.

Nov. 30. 63. Description of the Island of Lewes, with narrative of the endeavours of the Dutch, countenanced by the Earl of Seaforth, to establish a fishing station in that island; in the handwriting of Sec. Coke, and by him derived from conference with Mr. Hay, agent for the Burghs of Scotland, sent to London to oppose a patent obtained by the Earl of Seaforth for erecting Stornoway into a free burgh.

[Nov. 30?] 64. Minutes in the handwriting of Sec. Coke of the course to be adopted with the patent to the Earl of Seaforth mentioned in the last article, which had been stayed in Scotland, and was then in the custody of Sir William Alexander.

[Nov. 30?] 65. Clauses out of the Earl of Seaforth's patent deemed specially objectionable; certified by Sir William Alexander, Secretary for Scotland. [*Copy.*]

[Nov. 30?] 66. Capt. John Mason to [Sec. Coke.] Suggestions for settlement of the difficulties respecting the island of Lewes by establishment of a Company of adventurers of naturalised Scottishmen, who should purchase the island, and establish fishing stations thereon with privileges similar to those about to be granted to the Hollanders.

[Nov. 30?] 67. Suggestions by Sir William Monson how to proceed in the establishment of a fishing about Orkney, Shetland, and Lewes. Besides the granting of privileges to fishing adventurers, he proposes the institution of a government in every island, the erection of a principal town in each, the instruction of every child of the islanders in the English or Scottish language, with other education according to their abilities, and the hindering correspondence between the inhabitants of the islands and the Highlanders, considering the danger of their too great friendship, "who are naturally the most dangerous and worst people living."

[Nov. 30?] 68. Copy of the same.

[Nov. 30?] 69. Further suggestions of Sir William Monson concerning the advantages to be derived from the encouragement of fishing. The paper contains many particulars of the comparative amount of trade in the hands of England and Holland.

[Nov. 30?] 70. Calculation by Sir Wm. Monson of the loss which results to England from the employment by the Dutch of sixty ships in exporting fish caught on the coasts of England.

[Nov. 30?] 71. Statement of advantages which the Dutch will derive from the possession of Lewes.

Nov. 30. 72. Brief of Sir Robert Harley's Accounts of the Mint, from the 27th November 1626; from which it appears that his receipts for

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those three years had fallen short by 367*l.* 12*s.* 2½*d.* of 500*l.* per annum.

Nov. 30. Office of Ordnance. 73. Account of armours and pieces of armour delivered into the Office of the Armoury since 13 May 1620, being the remainders returned to the office after the expeditions to Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle, and suits purchased in the Low Countries or manufactured by the armourers of London.

Nov. 74. The King to Sir Henry Vane, ambassador to Holland. The late King granted the ministers of the English congregations in Holland liberty to assemble as is used in the Walloon churches, but assuming to themselves the power of creating ministers and framing new liturgies, the present King forbad their further assembling. In case, seeing their error, he finds them, as stated by John Forbes, minister of the English merchants at Delft, more moderate, and that they can hold themselves to the first intention, the King likes well that Sir Henry should allow their meetings yearly, giving account thereof to the ambassador.

Nov. 75. Copy of the same.

[Nov. ?] 76. Petition of Henry Moore, prisoner in the New Prison, to the King. Has been prisoner full eight months, on suspicion of being a priest. The Council referred him to the Archbishop of Canterbury, who persists in his disfavour upon some private dislike. Prays that he may be discharged on sureties.

Nov. Whitehall. 77. Sec. Dorchester to Sir Wm. Uvedale, Treasurer of the Chamber. Form of warrant to pay to Matthew de Quester the sum due to him for conveyance of packets from 1 April to 2 Oct. last. [*Underwritten are memoranda that similar warrants were signed successively for similar accounts up to* 4 *April and* 25 *Oct.* 1630, *and* 11 *November* 1631; *also for Robert Francis, postmaster of Chester, from* 1 *April to* 30 *Sept.* 1630, *and from* 1 *Oct.* 1630 *to* 31 *March* 1631.]

[Nov. ?] 78. Richard James to Sec. Dorchester. He wants not pen and paper if it were possible for him to recollect anything more whereby to clear himself or blemish Mr. St. John. About July last the writer came into Sir Robert Cotton's great chamber and found him and St. John viewing coins. He was willed by Sir Robert to take Mr. St. John into the upper study, and there let him search among some bundles of papers for business of the Sewers. If, in turning those, he mentioned the projecting pamphlet there pretended to be found, the writer entered into no further consideration of it. Believes it was never in keeping with them, nor ever seen by Sir Robert Cotton, until he received it from the Earl of Clare. Beseeches the Secretary to mediate for his freedom.

Nov. 79. Account of fees received at the Signet Office during this month.

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Nov. 81. List of King's ships at Portsmouth: ten in all.

[Nov. ?] 82. Deposition of Robert Ley, that Samuel Liston, on the 12th November inst., bravingly said that he was a companion for King Charles, and at the same time uttered certain immodest words, accompanied with indecent gestures, respecting the Queen.

[Nov. ?] 83. Answer of the Commissioners of Sewers for cos. Northampton, Huntingdon, Cambridge, &c., to the proposition of the Undertakers for Draining the Fens. The undertakers demand as recompense for their intended work that lands should be assured to them in fee simple. The authority of the Commissioners is only to levy a rate, and they cannot procure any such preposterous assurance beforehand. But if the undertakers will be constant to their first proposition, which was to receive a moiety of the profit of their work, the Commissioners will be ready to give them all lawful furtherance. Among the signatures are those of Bishop Dove, of Peterborough; Thomas Cotton, Sir Frances Fane, Sir Miles Sandys, Sir Oliver Cromwell, H. Cromwell, J. Cromwell, William Fitzwilliam, Francis Quarles, Thomas Glapthorne.

[Nov. ?] 84. Similar answer of the Commissioners of Sewers for co. Suffolk. They have no surrounded grounds that lie long under water, but only such as are sometimes overflowed for a short time, which overflowing much enricheth those grounds, so that more draining would be very hurtful to them. These grounds are worth 13*s.* 4*d.* an acre, and cannot be spared or bettered by the industry of the undertakers.

[Nov.] 85. Numbers of the trained bands for co. Northampton certified by the Earl of Exeter: totals, corslets, 290; muskets, 310; horse, 100.

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[Dec. 1 ?] 1. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare the grant to Edward Earl of Dorset, already calendared under 1629, Nov. 27. The warrant is without date, but is indorsed as received on 1st Dec. 1629.

Dec. 2. 2. Petition of Sir Anthony Thomas, John Worsopp, Henry Briggs, Hildebrand Prusen, and the rest of the undertakers for draining the fens, to the King. Although the King recommended the petitioners to be undertakers for draining the Great Level, they are hindered from proceeding by the undertaking of Sir Thomas

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Crooke and William Burrell. Pray for a reference to some of the Lords of the Council to consider which company offers the best terms for the public good. *Underwritten,*

2. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer, Earl Marshal, Lord High Chamberlain, the Earl of Dorset, and one of the Secretaries of State. Whitehall,* 1629, *Dec.* 2.

Dec. 2. Trinity College, Cambridge. 3. Dr. Samuel Brooke to Sec. Dorchester. The young man for whom the Secretary wrote was ill-advised to trouble his friends. The librarian protests he is not likely to leave his place these seven years: besides, the office has never been given to any that was not a scholar of the house.

Dec. 3. 4. Petition of Sarah Lambert to the King. Was condemned to death for theft of a trivial character, but reprieved, and has continued ever since in the White Lion in great misery, being so poor that she cannot pay for a pardon. The King having ordered the Attorney General to draw up a pardon for all such condemned persons as are capable of mercy, petitioner prays that she may be included. *Underwritten,*

4. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to take order that her name may be inserted in the pardon above alluded to.*

Dec. 3. 5. Lord Mayor and others of London to the Council. Recommend to them a petition from the Brewers of London, who complain that their beer and ale are taken from them for the use of his Majesty's house, and their drays, horses, and servants forced to carry and deliver the same, by the appointment of certain purveyors for that purpose, and in case they fail they are committed to the custody of pursuivants, to their great charge, notwithstanding they have neither present payment nor other content.

Dec. 3. Carleton. 6. Thomas [?] Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for protecting him to the Lord Keeper, on a poor practise to turn him out of the Commission of the Peace for an excommunication for a church seat, of which he was absolved four years ago. Hopes he shall see him at Carleton when his Majesty returns from Scotland by Carlisle to Brougham Castle, his Majesty's next stage, and the writer's next neighbour.

Dec. 3. 7. Report, stated in the indorsement of Sec. Coke to be written by Mr. Skinner, on the tare of English cloths in Holland. He gives the history of the various modes of taring which have been practised from time to time, and the disputes respecting them, and concludes with an account of the endeavours of Mr. Misselden, and of Sec. Dorchester when ambassador in Holland, to effect a settlement, but in vain.

Dec. 4. 8. Petition of Henry Heigham to the Council, or Council of War. Petitioner was employed in the Isle of Rhé as quarter-master to Sir Alexander Brett's regiment, and sometime after the Duke took him from his regiment by reason of his languages and knowledge of the

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country, and employed him, night and day, to the danger of his life, in going into the enemy's quarters to discover their doings, and was besides quarter-master of the Duke's household, for which he was to have 5*s.* per diem. Has received no satisfaction, and having lost all that he was worth in France by his father's service and his own for the King and the French Protestants, he prays present satisfaction. *Underwritten,*

8. I. *Report of Sir Francis Willoughby and others, setting forth the payments made to the petitioner, which make* 32*l.* 10*s. due to him, exclusive of extraordinary services and loss, of which the reporters are ignorant.* 1630, *Feb.* 18.

Dec. 4. 9. Petition of Anne Mills [a Bohemian woman], wife of Lieut. Francis Mills, to the same. Her husband having 45*l.* due to him for service in Denmark, has gone to serve the King of Sweden. Prays for 10*l.* out of the 45*l.* for the present maintenance of herself and her children.

Dec. 4. 10. Petition of John Brooke to the Council of War. Being provost-marshal of the army in Devon and Cornwall, he was obliged to keep two servants at 7*s.* a week, and a common executioner at 3*s.* 6*d.* per week, for 66 weeks. Prays payment, and allowance for his own service. *Underwritten,*

10. I. *Reference of the petition to Capt. Mason.*

10. II. *Report of Sir John Scott, Sir Francis Willoughby, and Capt. John Mason, in favour of the claims of the petitioner.*

10. III. *Minute of order that the petitioner should bring attestation concerning his claim for extraordinary allowance.* 1630, *Feb.* 18.

10. IV. *Certificate of Joseph Hartley, in proof of the facts stated in the petition.*

10. V. *Similar certificate of Richard Stevens and Joseph Hartley. Annexed,*

10. VI. *Amount of payments claimed by the petitioner.*

Dec. 4. Bury St. Edmund's. 11. Sir Thos. Wiseman, Sir Wm. Maxey, Sir Roger Thornton, Sir Robert Crane, and Sir Wm. Spring to the Council. Report the results of a meeting with Sir Charles Cornwallis, Sir John Hobart, Sir Peter Gleane, and Sir William Denny, at Bury St. Edmund's, on the 2nd and 3rd inst, with the view of settling the differences between the weavers of Norwich and the yarnmen of Suffolk, Essex, and Cambridge. Having been unable to come to any arrangement, they report what are the points on which the parties differ, the readiness of the yarnmen to prove their grievances, and the opinion of the writers that the fault is originally with the spinner.

Dec. 4 Chichester. 12. Deputy Mayor and Justices of Chichester to the Lords of the Admiralty. Report on a complaint against Peter Cox for exporting

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1629 ? corn. The export is justified under two council warrants for such export granted to Lucas Jacobs. The price of corn at Chichester is under that fixed by the statute, being from 3*s.* 4*d.* to 3*s.* 8*d.* per bushel; and the complaint arises out of the malice of John South, one of the petitioners.

Dec. 4. 13. Copy of the same.

Dec. 4. 14. List of unserviceable Iron Ordnance lying on the Tower Wharf.

Dec. 4. 15. Depositions of Edward Kidden and others, in support of a petition to the Lords of the Admiralty against Capt. William Bushell, for forcible removal of certain goods out of the Joan lying at Limehouse.

Dec. 4. 16. Answer of the University of Cambridge to the complaint of John Sherwood, Mayor of Cambridge, of having been discommoned by the Heads of the University.

[Dec. 4 ?] 17. Statement of an account between the King and [the representatives of the late Lord Bayning ?] in reference to 20,000*l.* lent 18th Aug. 1628, and 2,000*l.* for Sir Francis Cottington's debt. Moneys had been paid on account by Peter Ricaut, but there is a balance due of principal and interest of 11,343*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*

Dec. 4.] 18. Nicholas's rough draft entry-book of minutes of answers to petitions addressed to the Council of War and of other proceedings of the same Council from this day to the 10th May 1630. Among the petitioners mentioned are Capt. George Heigham; Lieut.-Col. Peter Hone; Lieut. Thomas Chaworth (2); Edward Joscelyn, Clerk of the Ordnance in the expedition to Rochelle, under Colonel Peblis, as the Master thereof (2); Capt. John Talbot; Lieut. John Daniel; William Blake, servant to Dr. Mason, secretary to the late Duke of Buckingham; Sir William Irwin; Sir Patrick Hume; Capt. John Manley; Capt. Constance Ferrar; Deacons Bull; George Selman; Hugh Davenport; Capt. Andrew Bruce; Olive Reyley, administratrix of Capt. Parker her brother; Capt. Alexander Annand and others; Bailiff and Burgesses of Dorchester; Capt. David Scott; Henry Carleton, and Thos. Jeffreys; Lieut. John Cornewall (2); Sir James Scott; Sir Edward Horwood; Capt. Richard Ouseley; John Mansell, engineer and chief petardier; Lieut.-Col. Hammond; John Dixon, chirurgeon-general; and the Denmark officers. The petitions are all for arrears of pay due for service.

Dec. 5. Brickhill. 19. Helen Lady Wolseley to Sec. Coke. Can now satisfy him in some things which he asked her concerning Sir Robert Wolseley. He is very bold to affirm anything that is false, if it be for his own ends, and very insolent to deny things against him. He is very malicious, and will hide his defects with a smooth tongue. Will come up if he will write to her husband to that purpose, but without letting him perceive that she has written.

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Dec. 5. 20. Petition of the Inhabitants of Hammersmith, in the parish of Fulham, to Bishop Laud. Pray his assent to their endeavours for erecting a chapel of ease in Hammersmith. Beseech him to consider the length and foulness of the way between Fulham and that place, in winter most toilsome, sometimes over ploughed lands, and almost unpassable. They also pray that they may recommend for the bishop's approbation a minister to whom they will give a competent maintenance, and likewise pay and perform all duties to their parish church. *Annexed,*

20. I. *Roll of contributions towards building a chapel in Hammersmith, and paying the stipend of a minister.*

Dec. 5. Hammersmith. 21. Edmund Earl of Mulgrave to Bishop Laud. Has joined with his neighbours in the preceding petition to the Bishop for his consent to the building a chapel in Hammersmith. Thought to have attended him, to have moved him in that particular, and also to have congratulated him on his recovery from long sickness, but the Earl is himself suffering from dangerous disease. Urges the proposed building as necessary for reformation of much irregularity and ill expending of time on Sundays and holidays.

Dec. 6. Whitehall. 22. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to recall a grant to James Quarrier of 500*l.* out of the greenwax not in farm, and to prepare a like grant to the same James Quarrier and Thomas Moncrief.

Dec. 6. Hinton St George. 23. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for his information that he is engaged another way and wishes him good success. Begs his favour to Sir Philip Carteret, and to that poor island, and to Mr. Loveraine the preacher, now in England; also to one more of that island, the Sec's. servant, Mr. Nicolls, some of whose countrymen conjecture that he has less credit with the Sec. than he used to have. Did not expect to hear the things his letter mentions of those persons of quality who have been in trouble, and is grieved to see the practices to beget jealousies between the King and his people. Another copy of a paper sent by the Sec. came to the writer's hands by the same man who presented it to his Majesty. States circumstances which tend to show that the man had been driven mad by certain opinions of Armianism. Complains of his having been suffered to preach in Oxford since his madness.

Dec. 6. 24. Information of —— Matthews concerning Sir Thomas Wolseley and his endeavour to pass over his land to his brother Sir Robert Wolseley. It was said that Lord Mountnorris had bidden 1,000*l.* more than the land was worth, but it was only the malice of Sir Thomas Wolseley's lady which occasioned any other to deal for the land than Sir Robert.

Dec. 6. 25. Will of Michael Gardiner, Rector of Greenford, co. Middlesex. Legacies to his sons Henry, Michael, Thomas, John, and George, and to various grandchildren of the names of Waterfield and Gardiner.

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He leaves to his curate his "black cloth gown, faced with shags." [*Copy ; indorsed "Gardiner, Kt."*]

Dec. 6. 26. Certificate of defaulters at a muster of horse and foot for co. Wilts.

Dec. 7. Whitehall. 27. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a pardon for Sir Edward Baynton, for adulteries with Katherine Gerrard, or any other person.

Dec. 7. On board the Lion in the Downs. 28. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has received their commands touching the Nightingale and the bark of Shoreham. Has ordered the bark for London and will discharge the Nightingale. The master of the bark has brought certain papers from Shoreham, which Sir Henry incloses, and thinks they are not counterfeit, whatsoever was the cause of the master's double tales.

[Dec. 7 ?] 29. List of officers who left their places in the Low Countries to come into his Majesty's service. *Underwritten is a note from Capt. John Mason to [Sec. Dorchester], sending him the above list before it was presented to the Council of War.*

Dec. 8. 30. The King to Lord Keeper Coventry, Lord Treasurer Weston, and the rest of the Commissioners of Sewers for co. Lincoln. Approves their statement in their answer to his letter, that they conceived his resolution for draining the surrounded grounds to be very honourable, and profitable for the country, and informs them that, having at first fixed his resolution upon just reasons, he is still constant therein, and requires them to appoint a day for a meeting at Boston, at which Sir Anthony Thomas and the other undertakers shall attend them with their propositions. A view is to be presently made of the surrounded grounds, and a tax to be imposed thereon, and upon all lands that may receive benefit by the draining. They are not to give ear to those who out of a froward and cross nature shall endeavour to retard the conclusion of a general bargain with the undertakers. [*Attested Copy.*]

Dec. 8. London. 31. Henry, Earl of Kent, and Thomas, Earl of Cleveland, Lord Lieutenants of co. Bedford, to the Council. Return account of the musters of the trained bands of that county. Complain of divers citizens, and some companies of London, who, having purchased lands in that county which were heretofore charged with horse, excuse themselves as not being resident, or as being charged with lands in other places. *Inclose,*

31. I. *General statement of the numbers of the trained bands for co. Bedford : totals, muskets,* 296 ; *corslets and other arms,* 394 ; *untrained,* 440 ; *in the whole,* 1,130.

Dec. 8. 32. Petition of Eric Turgessen and Company of Masterland to the Lords of the Admiralty. A Commission for examination of witnesses concerning the difference between the petitioners and John Delabarre, about the Mary of Masterland, having been returned,

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petitioners pray that the parties may be called before the Lords and the cause decided. *Underwritten,*

32. I. *Reference to Dr. Eden to consider the returned commission above mentioned, and certify what is fit to be allowed for charges on consideration of the above petition, and that of Capt. Cock, and the rights of the parties. Whitehall,* 1629, *Dec.* 8. [*Copy.*] *Annexed,*

32. II. *Order of the Court of Delegates in the cause between Eric Turgessen and Company and John Delabarre and Edward Cock, respecting the Mary of Masterland. The decision of the Court of Admiralty is reversed; the ship is to be delivered to Eric Turgessen, who is to give bond in* 500*l. for payment of the charges of Delabarre and his partners.* Lat. [1628, *Nov.* ?]

32. III. *Petition of Eric Turgessen and Company to the Lords of the Admiralty. Pray the Lords to decide the business on Dr. Eden's* [*first* ?] *report, that petitioners' securities may be discharged.*

32. IV. *Petition of Capt. Cock and company to the same. Set forth the circumstances of the capture and restoration of the Mary of Masterland, and their objections to the first report of Dr. Eden, and pray for a commission to examine witnesses.*

32. V. *Another petition of the same to the same, slightly differing from the last.*

Dec. 8. 33. Sir Henry Marten to the Lords of the Admiralty. Reports two proposals made for bringing the Three Kings of Enckhuysen, taken by Capt. Crosby, out of Ireland hither, and leaves it to them as to which they will accept. *Annexed,*

33. I. *Notes of the two proposals above alluded to, one being on the part of the takers of the ship, the other on that of the proprietors; with the names of the sureties they respectively offer.*

Dec. 8. 34. Copy of Sir Henry Marten's report above mentioned without the paper annexed.

[Dec. 8.] 35. Petition of James Parker, Walter Norton, William Weston, and John Raynell to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having arrested certain goods aboard the Costly lying in the Thames, and put a lock on the hatches of the ship, [Capt] William Bushell broke open the same and took away certain of the goods so under arrest. Pray that Bushell may answer for his contempt.

Dec. 8. 36. Order of the Court of Admiralty referring the matter of the preceding petition concerning the Joan, otherwise the Costly, to the arbitrament of Robert Spurle and others.

Dec. 9. 37. Order of Council to prohibit the export of ship timber or pipe staves from England or Ireland. [*Copy.*]

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Dec. 9. 38. Council Warrant of Assistance to the bearer, in the execution of a Commission out of the Court of Admiralty, to search for a Spanish ship and goods lately lost near Castlehaven in Ireland, which before were taken by the Company of Dutch merchants trading to the West Indies, and by right of war belong to them.

Dec. 9. Ingleby. 39. Sir David Foulis to Sec. Dorchester. There being a number of felonies in his hands, to be tried at the next Quarter Sessions and Assizes, he cannot leave them at random, but will attend him about Twelfthtide, and will bring with him such papers as are in his possession, touching the matters which he wrote of.

Dec. 9. Lambeth. 40. Archbishop Abbot to Sec. Dorchester. Thinks certain particulars are very wholesome and helpfull to the government of the Church, and testify a gracious zeal in his Majesty. Wishes that in the 9th Article, there were put in "nor cut any wood nor timber," in which kind not long since, in the Northern parts, was a great transgression. The Bishop of Durham, notwithstanding the King's letter, has remained here all last summer, and, while he is in London, most unseemly lieth in an inn. If such things be not severely censured, all their labour will be in vain.

[Dec. 9 ?] 41. Draft of the paper alluded to in the above letter, and which was ultimately published under the title of "Instructions to the "Clergy." This draft contains a final clause in the handwriting partly of the King, and partly of Bishop Laud, which was substituted for another clause, apparently struck out at the same time. The suggestion of the Archbishop as to not cutting wood was adopted, and words of the same effect inserted, but not in the place which he indicated.

[Dec. 9 ?] 42. Fair copy of the same paper, incorporating the alterations above mentioned with some others.

[Dec. 9 ?] 43. Draft of two suggested headings to the above-mentioned paper.

Dec. 10. London House. 44. Bishop Laud to Sec. Dorchester. Was with his Majesty on Tuesday, and, after speech about some businesses of the Church, it pleased his Majesty to think of revising the Injunctions of Queen Elizabeth, set forth in the beginning of her reign. At the Secretary's next address, he is to put his Majesty in mind of it.

Dec. 10. 45. The same to Edmund Earl of Mulgrave. The relics of his fearful disease have stuck so close, that he has not been able to visit his Lordship. Finds the contributions for building the chapel at Hammersmith amount to 242*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*, besides materials and an East window. For the minister, the allowance written down comes to 28*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Shall look that the chapel be built as other churches are, east and west, without tricks. Stipulations in reference to the rights of the mother church. Dr. Cluet, the vicar of Fulham consents. Some men under the title of "able and conformable

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"ministers," bring in notorious disturbers of the peace of the church; therefore, the Bishop suggests that the appointment of minister should be left to him. What the subscribers give is for their own ease, and not that they should dispose of the bishop's office. Wonders much at one passage in the roll, where a man that gives nothing to the minister, prescribes to the bishop and the inhabitants that they shall choose two conformable ministers, and the bishop shall take one of them. [Draft.]

Dec. 11. 46. The King to Charles Earl of Nottingham, vice-admiral in co. Sussex, Wm. Marlot, Henry Hobbs, Owen Jennings, Humphrey Gratwick, and Nicholas Bell. Commission out of the Admiralty, to search for wreck of the St. Peter of Horne, lately cast ashore near Arundel, and to deliver the same to James Janson Raet, and others, the owners. [*Copy.*]

Dec. 11. Whitehall. 47. Order of Council that William Gamull, alderman of Chester, give personal attendance on the board, to answer a complaint against him of William Edwards and others, of breach of trust, in reference to procuring licences for export of calves' skins. [*Copy.*]

Dec. 11. Whitehall. 48. Order of Council referring a petition of, or against, one Higgenson, to Sir Edward Dering, Lieutenant of Dover Castle, and Sir Thomas Culpeper, who are to certify the facts and their opinion.

Dec. 11. Wallingford House. 49. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a bill for the disafforestation of the forest of Selwood, *alias* Frome Selwood, co. Somerset.

Dec. 12. 50. Archbishop Harsnet, of York, to Sec. Dorchester. Has weighed the points set down in this draft, and returns them without alteration, conceiving them to be just, pious, and necessary for the public welfare of the church.

Dec. 12. 51. Bishop Laud to Sec. Dorchester. It is true that some of Queen Elizabeth's Injunctions reflect upon the beginning of her reign, but notwithstanding conceives that they are one of the best authorities for the proceedings of those times. He cannot find that King James made any particular ratification or revivor of them. In those times the best lawyers were of opinion that these injunctions were as ecclesiastical laws in force, though the Queen were dead: of what judgment the lawyers of the present time are he does not know.

Dec. 13. Lisbon. 52. Sir Francis Cottington to Lord Treasurer Weston. Capt. Bardsey came with them in the ship. He has served the King on many occasions. Recommends him for employment.

Dec. 14. 53. Sir Charles Cornwallis, Sir Wm. Denny, Sir John Hobart, and Sir Peter Gleane to the Council. Give account of the meeting at Bury St. Edmunds with the gentlemen of Suffolk, Essex, and Cambridgeshire respecting the disputes between the weavers of

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Norwich and the yarnmen. They state the case on the part of the former. In selling short lengths to the weavers the yarnmen take advantage of the spinners' fraud and their own neglect. Submit that it is not equal that upon the weavers there should be taken continual advantage, and that those who serve them with false yarns should escape without punishment.

Dec. 14. Hinton St. George. 54. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. Sir John Stowell took that place in his way homewards, whither he is returned the most contented man in the world. Before Sir John came out of London he and Sir Robert Phillips were made friends by Lord Chief Baron Walter, to whom their differences were referred; but Sir Robert liked better to go by the Star Chamber way first, where he received such satisfaction that he likes the name of a Lord the worse ever since. His Majesty's gracious usage to Sir John much encourages his servants to persevere zealously to do him service.

Dec. 14. Bedford House. 55. Francis Earl of Bedford to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador at the Hague. Gives him the first fruits of freedom. Thanks God that he stands in the way of being put into his Majesty's good opinion.

Dec. 15. St. Mary Axe. 56. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. The dilatory payments to the Ordinary at Chatham not only increase the King's charge needlessly, but are an inevitable cause of many a poor man's undoing. The bearer, Philip Pollard, cook of the Ann Royal, for want of money to supply his wants is forced to sell his place, and presents William Fisher, to whom he wants to put it off.

Dec. 16. 57. Account of anticipations as they now stand charged upon coming receipts of revenue: total, 229,757*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*

Dec. 16. 58. Petition of Capt. David Scott, with Henry Carleton and Thomas Jeffreys, his Lieutenant and Ensign, to the Council of War. They had petitioned the King, setting forth that on their return from Rochelle their ship was cast away on the coast of France, that they saved their lives by swimming, but were kept in prison in great want and misery from the 4th Nov. 1628, and were beholden for support to strangers, whom they had promised to repay. The King referred them to the Council of War. They pray payment of their entertainment to the present time. *Underwritten,*

58. I. *Reference to the Auditors of the Imprests with the Commissioners, and Captain Mason, to certify what is due to the petitioners.* 1629, *Dec.* 16.

58. II. *Report of the referees above mentioned, setting forth the sums due to the several petitioners to the date of the reference.* 1630, *Jan.* 26. [*Attested copies.*]

Dec. 16. 59. Other attested copies of the preceding petition of Captain David Scott and the others, with the various papers underwritten.

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Dec. 16. 60. Report of Sir Francis Willoughby and others on a reference to ascertain the amount due to Capt. John Manley. The periods of his successive employments as Engineer, Quartermaster, and Corporal of the field are enumerated, and the sums stated which are due in respect of each. [*Copy.*]

Dec. 16. Westminster. 61. Sir John Bingley to Sec. Dorchester. Sends extract from a letter received from Dublin on delays in payment of 1,200*l.* ordered to be paid to him out of the revenues of Ireland. Solicits his aid therein.

Dec. 16. 62. Minutes by Sec. Coke, apparently the result of an inquiry into the offices of the Great Wardrobe, and the Wardrobe of Robes, with resolutions setting forth new arrangements for their mode of keeping accounts.

Dec. 17. 63. Examination of John Cooke, concerning an accusation against Capt. John Jones, of the St. George of Bristol, for taking away a French prize from the townsmen of St. Ives. [*Much damaged by damp.*]

Dec. 18. Whitehall. 64. Order of Council on the petition of Henry Lane, of Norwich, and John Seaman of Yarmouth. Petitioners having long traded for Bordeaux, their agent, John Peronyne, had, contrary to their directions, laden wines for them in the Good Intention of Dieppe, which had arrived at Yarmouth. Although by a proclamation these wines cannot be imported until the 1st February next, the Council permits them in the mean time to be landed and placed in cellars at Lynn. [*Copy.*]

Dec. 18. 65. Speech of Mr. Thomas Bewly at the Council Table, complaining in behalf of the French company of the importation of French wines into Rochester, contrary to the proclamation above mentioned.

Dec. 18. 66. Mary Percy, Abbess of the English Convent at Brussels, to the Catholics of England, in reply to accusations against her, by J [ohn] P [ont], chiefly turning upon the right of the Convent to elect their own Confessors.

Dec. 19. 67. The King to the Keeper of the Clink. Warrant to receive into his custody Edward More, and him to keep until the person addressed received the King's further pleasure.

Dec. 19. On board the Lion, in the Downs. 68. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has given order for convoy of the alum ships. The Fourth Whelp has been victualled for six weeks instead of two months. She has 200 leagues to sail, and if she has to wait for the ships, or be detained by contrary winds, she may be distressed.

[Dec. 20 ?] 69. Balthazar Gerbier to Lord Treasurer Weston. Sends a model which he thinks will be the best because it is his lordship's own invention. Will keep Christmas among the Old Beggars of Bethnal

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Green, and will send for the sculptors and carpenters and see what one will do for the horse and the other for the rail, and on his return give his lordship an account.

Dec. 20. 70. Provisoes in favour of the Mother Church of Fulham, stipulated by Dr. Cluet, the vicar, on the erection of a chapel at Hammersmith, among them, "that all churchings in the chapel be at the altar, and in veils, for otherwise it may be a means to break off that laudable custom in Fulham, which is now at last settled, with much ado."

Dec. 21. 71. The Lords of the Admiralty to Kenrick Edisbury. Instructions to pay off and discharge the seamen and officers of the Convertive, and the Fifth and Ninth Whelps, under the command of Sir Thomas Button, lately returned from the coast of Ireland, and now riding at Hung Road, near Bristol.

Dec. 21. 72. Lord President Conway to Patrick Mall [Maule.] Prays him to make his excuses to the King for not waiting upon him, on account of indisposition of his crazy body. By advice of Dr. Mayerne he keeps within doors. [*Draft.*]

[Dec. 21.] 73. Bishop Mountague of Chichester to Sec. Dorchester. Must never forget the memory of Sir Henry Savile, who was the first means of his advancement. In just recompense whereof, and of Dorchester's courtesies of 23 years' standing, he has now an occasion presented of expressing his grateful acknowledgment. On coming to his bishopric he took a view of its affairs, which he found miserably depopulated, especially by his two last predecessors; amongst the rest, all things but one leased for lives, and all burthens laid upon successors. Thereupon he began to pick holes in the leases to void them, and found many of them liable to forfeiture in not reserving the old rent, but less, and one was payable at two feasts only, instead of four. Hereupon he represented to his lessees their states in hazard, and offered them new leases, altering the conditions and increasing the rent. Some are come in. Mr. Bishop, who has the most unreasonable lease of all, after three-quarters of a year, refuses. The writer is resolved he shall never enjoy it. It is a park of 150 acres, with a fair house, formerly the bishop's residence. Will never make any lease of the bishopric to his wife or children, therefore offers the Sec. a lease of Henfield for 21 years, without fine, except he will voluntarily give what he pleases when he is in quiet possession.

Dec. 21. 74. Sir Edward Bagshaw to Endymion Porter. Acquaints him with the payment of the bill of 555*l.* directed to Sir Matthew "Decenzie," and begs Porter's discharge.

Dec. 22. 75. Sir Henry Marten to the Lords of the Admiralty. Reports on the disputes between Sir Thomas Walsingham and John Philpot respecting the Admiralty jurisdiction at Faversham. States various violent actions and threats of Philpot and his agents, but because

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they were done under a claim of right, submits that a commission should issue to inquire thereof.

Dec. 22. 76. Copy of the same.

Dec. 22. 77. Wm. Weld to Edward Lord Conway at Lisneygarvey. Is thankful to be employed in his service. Will send his watch to Sir John Conyers, who is at Delft seeking remedy for an ague. Burlamachi has come from thence, but Lord Vere comes not yet. Hopes he will get to like the country better, and wishes success to his gardening and his iron-works. Sir Francis Willoughby will inform him how vain that report was that the Lord President was among the committed lords. He keeps within doors from ill health. His chambers in Court are given to Lord Dorchester, and in lieu thereof he has those that were Lord Lindsey's. The diet is gone, but he has a compensation. Lady Carlisle is commanded from Court, some say upon a difference between her and the Countess of Holland. A ship has been three times at Dunkirk for the Spanish Ambassador, and is to go again on Thursday next. A P.S., written about the 10th Jan., 1630, intimates that the letter had been delayed in consequence of the non-departure of Sir Francis Willoughby. In the interim Don Carlos had arrived, and had had audience on Twelfth Day. The Lord President now goes out every day. Sir Thomas Conway is at Sir Roger Townshend's in Norfolk. Lady Smith has lost her little daughter, and to comfort herself comes to the Lord President's for a time.

Dec. 22. Hammersmith. 78. Edmund Earl of Mulgrave to Bishop Laud. No contributor to the chapel at Hammersmith desires to derogate from the rights of the Mother Church, so that the Bishop may prescribe whatsoever liberty he shall please, in that respect. The ground shall in due time be signified to him, and the chapel shall stand east and west, without tricks, as was ever intended. For the maintenance of the minister, he prays the Bishop not to put back so good a work, under a doubt that the maintenance will fail. They who disburse their moneys for the erection will not, nor will those who come after them, deprive themselves of so great a good by withholding so small a matter. For the nomination of the minister, none of them distrust the Bishop, but who knows how he may be succeeded. Craves that some few of the inhabitants may present one or more to his approbation, who, giving him good testimony of life, doctrine, and conformableness, will, it is hoped, be as acceptable to the Bishop as if he had made the election. Suspects that some one has possessed the Bishop with an opinion that some of them aim to bring in some busy-headed or factious man; the earl has never observed the least disposition that way. He who subscribed the roll in that singular way has, by his own letters inclosed, plainly declared that he had no ill meaning therein. *Inclosed,*

78. I. *Richard Aldworth to Edmund Earl of Mulgrave. The reason of his setting down nothing for the minister was that he is not certain of his abiding. If he shall con-*

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tinue, as he has done the greater, he shall not be backward in the less. The Bishop is mistaken in supposing that the writer would abridge him of his power. Conceived that they, as patrons, presenting two or three to the Bishop, he would be pleased to give them the fittest. London, 1629, *Dec.* 13.

Dec. 22. Witley. 79. Sir Wm. Russell to Endymion Porter. Is made believe by the best of their country chirurgeons that his sister Wintour's eldest boy has the king's evil, and that there is no cure, but from the King, for it. Yet before he presumes to bring him up, inquires when he may best trouble Porter with him, conceiving that there are only certain times prefixed when the King admits such unto his presence. Such mighty floods in those parts that he could get no carriage for Porter's cider.

Dec. 23. 80. The King to the Judges of the King's Bench. Certain articles were resolved on at the Council Board, and subscribed by all the Judges, amongst which it is provided, that if, upon a habeas corpus, any of the matters in those articles be the cause of the imprisonment, the party should be remanded. This rule having been contravened in the case of Francis Frogg, and he taken out of the custody of the Marshal of the Admiralty, it is the King's pleasure that those articles be kept, and Frogg be remanded to the Marshal's custody. [*Copy.*]

Dec. 23. Bedford House. 81. Francis Earl of Bedford, Lord Lieut. of co. Devon, to Lord President Conway. The case of Ambrose Roope, who has been brought up for default at musters, was referred to Sir Edward Seymour, Sir Edward Giles, and Sir Richard Reynell. In sending for him so long and chargeable a journey, there has therefore been some slip or mistake. Hopes he will be dismissed with favour by the Board.

Dec. 23. Bristol. 82. Sir Thomas Button to Sec. Dorchester. Will perform their directions for careful laying up the Convertive and Fifth Whelp, and dispatching the Ninth Whelp to Ireland. In the spring, fears the sea will be full of pirates. If the Sec's. cloak is his own, or the writer's house that he dwells in is his, so sure is that ship a lawful prize, if her being a Dunkirker may make her so. Begs him to send for Francis Morice and Mr. Reynolds, the master gunner of England, unto whom he has 400*l.* land a year forfeited for 1,200*l.*, and to pray them to give him longer time. If this ship be not adjudged prize, solicits the king to give him the making of a Baronet. Is unwell, and not able, therefore, to attend upon him.

Dec. 23. 83. Bishop Mountague of Chichester to Endymion Porter. Has a lease loose in the hinges worth 120*l.* per an. ultra the rent. Offers Porter a grant of it, if he will try its validity. States the objections. 1. Sir Edward Coke says that where rent is payable at four terms, it voids the lease if it be made payable at two terms. The lease he speaks of is such. 2. It has no certain commencement, being

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made to A, for the lives of B, C, and D.; and 3. There is no person who has in it an estate of freehold. Begs to know his resolution.

Dec. 24. 84. Petition of Capt. Adrian Anthony and Company to the Lords of the Admiralty. In the war with France petitioners took a ship named the Henry and with concurrence of Mons. de Besna sold the goods therein at an appraisement. The ship and goods being ordered to be returned to de Besna he refuses to receive the amount of the appraisement in lieu of the goods. Pray that he may be ordered to do so. *Annexed,*

84. I. *Certificate of the delivery of the ship above mentioned to Mons. de Besna, and tender of the amount of the appraisement of the goods therein which was refused to be received.* [*Copy.*]

Dec. 24. Bristol. 85. Sir Thomas Button to Nicholas. Contends that the ship sent into Bristol should be adjudged prize. Necessity for maintaining a guard on the coast of Ireland and his own claims to the command. Could not have come sooner from Ireland had it been for the saving of the kingdom. In a P.S. acknowledges receipt of order to discharge the Convertive and the Fifth Whelp, but for the Ninth Whelp there can be nothing done till money be sent down.

Dec. 24. Holyrood House. 86. Order of the Court of Exchequer in Scotland for entering on the records of that Court a protestation of John Earl of Mar, Treasurer of Scotland, that a royal order for payment of 5,000*l.* to George Lord Gordon for the sheriffships of Inverness and Aberdeen, should not prejudge the treasurer in reference to payments for preparations against his Majesty's incoming to that kingdom.

[Dec. 24?] 87. Robt. Long to Endymion Porter. Sends draft of an agreement between them. Would depend on his virtue and worth could he be assured of his life.

Dec. 26. 88. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Sends him copy of a warrant from the King to the Lord Treasurer, for renewal of the Commission of Grace, with such instructions as in the Commission of the third year. The Commission is to be followed by Robert Tipper, the King's servant, as in former times, and the King's part of the compositions is to be received by the Earl of Carlisle towards debts of 28,000*l.* and 14,000*l.* which the King owes him. The Attorney General is to prepare the Commission accordingly.

Dec. 26. 89. Certificate of the Bailiffs of Great Yarmouth. That the Good Intention of Dieppe, in going from Yarmouth towards Lynn had suffered damage from storm and been driven back to Yarmouth. Being in no state to go for Lynn, Henry Lane and John Seaman pray that she may be unladen at Yarmouth instead of Lynn.

Dec. 27. Westminster. Proclamation that soldiers lately employed in the service of the States General, and now returning home, should forthwith repair to their dwelling places. [*Coll. Procs. Car.* I., *No.* 115.]

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90. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Sends his lieutenant, Capt. Lydiard, to beg warrants for William Wade, and John Jacob, for imputing to the writer a base action which Capt. Lydiard will explain. Beseeches them also to give him leave to follow the settling of some private affairs explained in an inclosed letter from Sir Wm. Ryves, Attorney General in Ireland. Prays that his wages from the king may be paid, and that anything attempted to his prejudice by Capt. Lee, may be stayed until his coming up. [*The letter inclosed is among the Irish papers, under its date,* 1629, *Nov.* 8. *It was written at the request of Lady Christian Mervyn, Sir Henry's wife, to apprise him that in consequence of failure in passing the patent and paying the fines for certain lands in Ireland, and also because the articles enjoined on the Earl of Castlehaven, his brother, had not been performed, Sir Henry's lands were all forfeited to the Crown, and that Capt. John Lee, brother of Sir Daniel Lee, who held lands under Sir Henry, was going for England to procure a separate grant from the King.*]

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91. The same to the same. Has attended Don Carlos at Dunkirk with whom he is come to anchor in the Downs, the wind blowing so that he could not land him at Dover or Margate. Has sent to get, if he can, some coaches in the country to accommodate him to Canterbury. His goods and horses, the Minniken wafts to London. Has taken from the Dunkirks a French bark, which they took yesterday morning, laden with chestnuts, prunes, raisins, and some provision, as they say, for the Queen's Majesty.

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92. Lord President Conway to Sir George Hume. Did not mean to have moved him to such a kind of reply, nor intend any disadvantageous comparison. That which induced him to hearken to the first motion of treaty with Sir George, was the person and virtue of Sir George's father, well known and esteemed in that court. Has ever conceived honour to be, active virtue employed in service, and knowledge taken of it by the King or State, and mark [?] set upon it accordingly. Never had other measure for the portion, but according to the state offered, and his own ability, and if they should conclude, would give all the powers of his credit for the advantage of the beloved, which he intended as a work of freedom, but when it is pressed as an article, it is no more freedom. This is not a time to ask, nor a time for the King to give. Will perform his promise touching portion, when Sir George's father shall perform his assurances. Has desired opinion of counsel on his last articles. When he receives it will answer his father, and will acquaint Sir George with it. [*Draft.*]

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93. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Explains the state of the accounts of various tenants, especially that of Mr. May deceased, all whose goods had been distrained.

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94. Sir Allen Apsley to Sec. Dorchester. The Lord Keeper having declined to fix the great seal to Apsley's grant of the reversion of the office of Custos Brevium of the Common Pleas, unless the king directed him, the king was twice applied to by the Lord Keeper, and his answer was, both times, "Not yet." If the King has any end therein for his own benefit, if he would let Apsley know it, he doubts not to advance it more than any that proposeth or opposeth the same. Has waited twelve months for answer; begs him to procure one as soon as may be.

Dec. 28. London House.

95. Bishop Laud to Sec. Coke. Received letters lately from Dr. Dee, the ambassador's chaplain in France, who inclosed three others from an English gentleman there imprisoned. Why the doctor sent these letters the Bishop does not know. The gentleman is altogether unknown to him. Sends them to the Sec., partly because he is named in them, and there are some things in them which a Secretary of State may make use of. *Incloses,*

95. I. *John Fincham to Dr. Dee and Mr. Neve. His afflictions most cruel and unjust. If the Ambassador would request his liberty it would be granted. Was sent into France by a person of state and authority in England for the King's service. Was assured of his safety by the Queen mother, as Cardinal Berulle and Count de Tillieres informed him. Ought to have been set at liberty on the peace. He is well known to the Archbishop of Canterbury and Sec. Coke. If he remains in that hell upon earth after their departure, intreats them to beg the Archbishop and Secretary to procure his liberty, and advise his wife, who may be heard of at his brother's, in Paul's Churchyard, at the sign of the Castle, a woollen draper, or at his sister Gravenor's, in Lombard Street, at the Three Swans, her husband being a mercer. Bas Bastille,* 1629, *Dec.* 15. *P.S.—Has neither woollen, linen, nor money, if he had he would not be so importunate.*

95. II. *The same to* [*Dr. Dee.*] *Beseeches him to solicit the Ambassador to move the King of France or Cardinal Richelieu for his liberty. Has written several letters to the Ambassador, and sent into England by Sir Thomas Dishington and Mons. le Roque, his fellow prisoners. He and his man are almost naked, and what is worse, without any relief or hope thereof, and are ready to starve with cold.* 1629, *Dec.* 18.

95. III. *The same to his wife and children. Admires at their silence during his imprisonment of nineteen months. All other English, Scotch, and Dutch are set at liberty by reason of the peace. Protests his innocence. He is punished upon the base informations of certain traitorous and malicious English priests and Jesuits. Conjures them to petition the King and Queen of England, for whose cause he suffers, and to intreat the Bishop of*

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Chalcedon, Mr. Willson and Mr. Muskett, to have pity on him. Did the King of England know how needful his liberty was for his service, he should not remain there one month, and so she may tell the King, but is not to shew that letter to any creature, or impart that clause to any priest or Roman Catholic as she loves him or his liberty. 1629, *Dec.* 21.

Dec. 29. Southampton. 96. Mayor of Southampton to Sec. Dorchester. Has conferred with various persons from St. Malo, but cannot learn that there are any preparations at sea in those parts more than ordinary. Will be careful of the speedy convoy of his letter to Sir John Peyton, governor, or deputy, of Jersey.

Dec. 29. 97. Bishop Laud to Edmund Earl of Mulgrave. Advises him to have a consultation of two physicians. Since the 23rd the Bishop has had a relapse. The Earl's letters have given him abundant satisfaction as to the plot of ground, the manner of building, and the reservations for the mother church. Is not satisfied on the other points. As to the maintenance, he has taken advice as to the ecclesiastical law, and finds there must be a perpetuity. It would be a shame for successors to deprive themselves, but how many do we daily see do those things which impudence itself would be ashamed of, and as the education of this age is, he cannot conceive how the next should be better. But he will deliberate further, and will yield to the judgment of persons he shall name, and the Earl shall like. For the maintenance [appointment] of the minister, shall never give way to a popular nomination. Forgot to express in his last letter that the parsonage of Fulham is in the gift of the Bishop, upon which depends the vicarage, of which this chapel must be a member. No township shall upon any pretence, make him give away the least hair of the inheritance of his bishopric. Knows Mr. Aldworth, and he is a little kin to the Bishop; therefore took his subscription to the roll so much the worse; but he shall be no hindrance, so the business may be rectified. Hopes ere long to be able to take the air for an hour at Fulham, and will return by Hammersmith, and see the Earl. [*Copy.*]

[Dec. 30?] 98. Henry Earl of Holland to Sec. Dorchester. They are all rejoiced at his good news, and it came most happily to one of their society who was much afflicted before with a loss of 5*l.* at bowls. He told them that the news consoled him, protesting that he did not till then find that anything of the public could have been so considerable to him as to have countervailed his particular loss. Dorchester would joy to see the admiration and contentment the ambassador receives at his entertainment, and he may well do so.

Dec. 30. Trinity College, Cambridge. 99. Dr. Samuel Brooke to the same. It was his course to wait at Court this January, but has made an exchange with a friend, having many businesses in that troublesome place, and having been much subject to the stone. Prays the Sec. to excuse him to the King, if he observe his absence. His Majesty much notes the order and

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service of his chaplains, which makes the writer afraid of his displeasure. Another thing is, if the King be not very forward to take their offer of comedies, that the Sec. will spare them that way this year, he and those whom he had set on being much troubled to see Shrovetide fall so soon. It would be hard to provide for the acting, and other preparations.

Dec. 30. Lambeth. 100. Archbishop Abbot to Bishop Laud. Sends copy of Instructions received from the King for the better government of the Church and Churchmen, that he should put in execution those things which pertain to his own person, and do the like to the clergy committed to his care. He is to report thereon at the end of Michaelmas Term, and let the Archbishop understand from time to time whether there be due obedience to these commands. *Incloses,*

100. I. *The King to the Archbishop of Canterbury. Instructions concerning certain orders to be observed and put in execution by the several Bishops in his province. Bishop Laud, in his indorsement of the preceding letter, describes these instructions as being "about the Bishop's residence, and the lecturers, &c." The copy professes that the original was signed at the head by the King, and at the close by Sec. Dorchester.* [*Copy.*]

[Dec. 30.] 101. Another copy of the Instructions above mentioned, but without the signatures of the King and Sec. Dorchester.

[Dec. 30.] 102. Another copy of the same, without heading or signature but intended for the Archbishop of York.

[Dec. 30?] 103. Instructions for the clergy in the diocese of Lincoln, 1629; being a modification of the Instructions mentioned in the preceding articles. It contains those items which affect the Bishop in relation to his clergy, without those which affect himself individually.

[Dec. 30?] 104. Copy of the preceding article in print, but specially applied to the diocese of Lincoln by a manuscript addition.

[Dec. 30?] 105. Another printed copy of the preceding paper, but without any special application to the diocese of Lincoln.

Dec. 31. Whitehall. 106. Order of Council referring to the Archbishop of Canterbury a petition of Henry Moore, prisoner in the new prison for nine months, on suspicion of being a priest. The Archbishop, by whom he was committed, is to discharge him on bond. [*Copy.*]

Dec. 31. Southampton. 107. Capt. John Dymes to Sec. Dorchester. Has inquired, but cannot learn any particulars of French naval preparations, only this, that there are many ships with flat-bottomed boats making ready in Britanny. Purposes to embark for Olonne in Britanny, whence he will not fail to give account. Has written to Mr. Weckherlin how he may be directed to in Jersey.

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[Dec. ?] 108. Petition of the Dean and Chapter of Christchurch, Oxford, to the King. The King had referred the cause between the Dean and Chapter of Christchurch and the students there to the Lord Keeper, Lord Privy Seal, Lord Steward, the Earls of Dorset and Holland, the Bishop of London, and the Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench. The Bishop of London not being certain of his presence by reason of indisposition of body, petitioners pray that two or three Bishops more may be joined with the referees, and that order be given that the royal charters of the Cathedral may not be argued by Council.

Dec. 109. William Earl of Northampton to the Council. Certificate concerning a petition of John Williams, *alias* John ap William, ap Richards, ap David, against Sir Thomas Williams, referred to the Earl by the Council. He finds the petitioner's complaints false and clamorous. Directs Sir Thomas to allow him 3*l.* per annum for three lives, if the petitioner yields up certain lands, and pays certain arrears. The petitioner is also to acknowledge his offence, and ask forgiveness in the parish church.

[Dec.] 110. Petition of William Richardson the younger, to the Lords of the Admiralty. His petition to be restored to his place of saltpetre work in divers counties not having taken effect by reason of articles exhibited against him by John Giffard, who by sinister means has supplanted him, he prays that they would make further trial of him.

Dec. 111. Paper indorsed by Sec. Dorchester, "Sir Ralph Freeman's memorial touching the advowson of one of the elected Bishop of Rochester's livings." It is a request that the next presentation of the living of Tilehurst, for which Bishop Bowle, of Rochester, was a suitor, that he might continue to hold the same in commendam, might be granted to George Ashton, kinsman to Sir Peter Vanlore, the patron.

Dec. 112. Certificate of the forces of the co. Hants, as mustered in 1629: totals, corslets, 1645; muskets, 2393; pioneers, 515; horse, 170.

Dec. 113. Certificate of William Earl of Pembroke, of the trained horse within the stannaries of Devon, with a description of their armour, and a return of defaulters.

Dec. 114. Similar certificate of the trained tinners within the same district.

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1. Remembrances concerning the charter of Great Yarmouth, setting forth the alterations desired to be effected by a new charter. The government was to be in a Mayor, two Bailiffs, twelve Aldermen, and twenty-four Burgesses, without popular election. Edmund Reeve to be the first Recorder.

2. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a charter for Great Yarmouth in accordance with the preceding paper. [*Draft.*]

3. Grant to Brian Duppa, M.A., of the first canonry or prebend which should fall vacant in St. Peter's, Westminster. [*Unsigned.*]

4. Draft in the handwriting of Sir Francis Nethersole, of contemplated royal authority for receiving contributions towards the support of the affairs of the King's sister Elizabeth of Bohemia and her children. [*It appears from the indorsement that the project for the contribution was countermanded.*]

5. Draft in the handwriting of Nicholas, of a reference, or intended reference, of a petition to the King for the grant of an office, to the Earls of Pembroke and Holland, Mr. Comptroller, the Master of the Wards, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sec. Coke.

6. Draft of Minute of the King's pleasure for preparing a commission to certain members of the Council to reprieve, from time to time, convicts not deemed worthy of death, and to cause them to be delivered to Endymion Porter, to be employed in works or trades as his Majesty shall direct.

7. Minute in the handwriting of Sec. Dorchester, of a reference of a petition to the King, to the Lord Steward, Lord Chamberlain, and Edward Earl of Dorset, to endeavour to settle an agreement between the petitioner and the two brothers Robert and Paul Stacy.

8. The Council to the several keepers of public records. To permit George Geldard, his Majesty's servant, employed in the discovery of reliefs not answered to his Majesty, to inspect the records and take notes thereof, and to furnish him with copies, at the rate of 4*d.* per sheet and 12*d.* for the officer's hand. [*Unsigned.*]

9. John Dinley to the King. Understands from Lord Dorchester that his Majesty intends to do him good. Beseeches that he may be designed for one of the Masters of Requests, in reversion.

10. Form of promise desired by John Dinley, that he should have the first of several places in the Court of Chancery which should become void.

11. M. Covert to the King. Had the good fortune to be in Spain when the King was there. His calm carriage in religion, joined with a sweet disposition, and his letters to the Pope, penned with so grave advice and consideration, rejoiced all subjects.

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Regrets the war with Spain, enlarges on the enmity of the Hollanders, and urges at great length the revival of the ancient league between England and Burgundy.

12. Attorney General Heath to the King. Reports on the petition of the Widow of William Kennaday, deceased. William Kennaday, with the money of the petitioner, bought leases at Newington in Surrey, which he left to her by will, and died. Being an alien, born in Scotland in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, his will was inoperative, whereupon the widow, and also the next of kin, petitioned the King for relief. The Attorney General certified the facts.

13. Declaration or petition of Capt. John Mason, treasurer of the army, to the same. In the years 1610 and 1611 was employed by the late King with two ships of war and two pinnaces, conjointly with Andrew Knox, then Bishop of the Isles, in subduing the rebellious Redshanks in the Hebrides and settling the laws of Scotland there, which took effect. In payment the late King granted the petitioner the King's assize-herring due from all fishers on those coasts, but that grant was relinquished in 1611 on the marriage of the Queen of Bohemia, and the petitioner never since received one penny. *Annexed,*

13. I. *Account of amount due, with interest: total,* 12,489*l.* 7*s.*

14. Petition of Thos. Rawlins, John Cooper, John Clarke and Wm. Burgis to the same. Petitioners set forth their various interests in the armouries in the Tower and at East Greenwich, and a report of the late Earl of Totness that a new office of surveyor of armories should be created and granted to Clarke and Cooper, two of the petitioners. All the petitioners being willing to surrender their grants, they pray that the new office may be instituted, and be granted to Clarke and Burgis.

15. Petition of Roger Falkener to the same. Complains of misconduct of Sir Thomas Jay under a grant lately obtained of all the old armour in the Tower and elsewhere.

16. Petition of the inhabitants of the Isle of Wight to the same. Set forth the great preparations in France, the continual coming of their ships for no other end than to be acquainted with the places, the miserable weakness of the island, decay of the fortifications, and panic fear of the inhabitants, who are ready to forsake the island. Pray for repair of their fortifications and other measures of protection.

17. Petition of David Ramsay and Richard Hunt, esquires, and Thos. Forster and Anthony Etherington, gentlemen, to the same. By the statutes of the kingdom usury is forbidden, but 10 per cent. for some time past, and 8 per cent. since Midsummer 1625, is permitted as a thing of policy. Covetous persons taking advantage of that permission employ their estates in lending money upon usury,

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to the intolerable loss of the kingdom. Pray that by proclamation all usurers may pay to the King 2*s.* out of every pound raised by usury, and that an office be erected for enrolling all deeds whereby interest is reserved.

18. Petition of James Duppa, Nathan Wright, and the rest of the owners of the James of London, to the King. On 30th May 1629, since peace proclaimed, Capt. Bontemps took the James, at anchor on the coast of Barbary, and brought her to Dieppe where she lies sunk and spoiled. Pray that a course may be taken for the ship to be speedily restored to them.

19. Petition of Michael Oldisworth to the same. The late King in consideration of 1,200*l.* granted petitioner the manor of Sundridge, co. Kent, under a fee farm rent of 42*l.* per annum. A litigation respecting the same instituted by Thomas Brooker has depended six years. Prays that the same may be commended to the judges for expedition.

20. Petition of David Ramsey, Wm. Harris, and Robert Ramsey, doctors in physic, to the same. Have many years been suitors concerning the abuses in distilling strong waters. Dr. Cadiman has of late petitioned to the same effect. His Majesty having signified to Mr. Kirke and Mr. Porter that they who first put the subject in agitation should have the benefit thereof, they pray for a reference on that point.

21. Petition of Paul Micklethwaite, D.D. to the same. Being by the King's grant Master of the Temple, and finding sundry consecrated places belonging to the church there to be withheld from it, he besought the King for reformation. In answer the King signified his pleasure to give the matters audience in his own person. Prays that a time for such hearing may be prefixed.

22. Petition of Sir Henry Marten, Dean of the Arches, to the same. On complaint of the clergy and laity of the diocese of Oxford, against the Bishop of Durham, for money taken by him when Bishop of Oxford, under colour of an episcopal visitation where none was executed or intended, it seemed necessary to the Archbishop of Canterbury that a course should be followed in the Court of Arches to procure restitution. The Bishop to avoid the same, procured the cause to be dismissed to the province of York. Three terms having passed without any satisfaction, petitioner prays the King to signify his pleasure whether the cause in the Arches may not proceed.

23. Petition of John Johnstown of London, merchant, to the same. The French king has authorized all sorts of foreign coins to be augmented one fourth part of what they formerly were. Prays the king to set a price upon the course of exchange between the two countries, and to establish an office wherein all bills of exchange for France may be registered, appointing the petitioner superintendent for 21 years, and reserving a rent of 400*l.* per annum.

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24. Petition of Job Williams of London, merchant, to the King. The late king granted the reversion of the assurance office in London unto Sir Giles Overbury and his brother for their lives after the decease of Sir Ferdinando Heyborne and his brother, who are long since dead, and the Overburys being in possession have farmed the same at 400*l.* per annum to William Couper and George Prior. Prior being an incompetent person, petitioner prays for the King's letter to the Overburys to grant the office to him for 21 years at 450*l.* per annum.

25. Petition of John Gulston, second prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas, to the same. Has submitted himself to the King's pleasure in the payment of moneys and abatement of fees, and prays for a grant of the reversion of the first filazer's office to John Smyth and John Stubbs (after reversions already granted to Richard Franklyn the younger, Edward Burgh, Wm. Loving and Alexander May) to the use of Edward Gulston, petitioner's sixth son, or in case of his death, of William Gulston his seventh son.

26. Petition of the same to the same. The Benchers of the Middle Temple having pulled down his office as prothonotary, prays a royal letter to them to grant him other premises during the rebuilding, and convenient lodging room for himself and his records in the new building.

27. Petition of Henry Drake to the same. Prays for a renewed protection to enable him to perfect his endeavours to pay debts for which he is security. Lands in co. Devon have been passed unto him for collateral security.

28. Petition of Robert Godfrey to the same. The King commanded petitioner to stay in England for his and the Queen's service, and granted him a pension of 100*l.* per annum. His obedience of the King's command has lost him good means and friends both in and out of England, and led him to incur great debts. Prays payment of 150*l.* now due on his pension.

29. Petition of the King's tenants, inhabitants near the Tower of London, to the same. Having been disturbed in their estates by William Bold, late Gentleman Porter, on whose resignation Mr. Cary had now been appointed, they pray that the question in dispute may be referred to the Council for final determination.

30. Petition of Sir John Sackville, Wm. Boswell, — Duffield, and others, to the same. Offer to erect and maintain a light in the main, on or near the Goodwin, and pray for a grant by patent for 40 years, with power to levy certain rates on all vessels passing through the Downs, with salvage on ships delivered from wreck.

31. Petition of the Mayor, Jurats and Commonalty of Sandwich co. Kent to the same. Set forth the advantages and ancient importance of the haven of Sandwich, and the necessity for a new haven which is estimated to cost 5,000*l.* To enable the town to

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make the same, they pray for a grant of certain enumerated privileges. *Annexed,*

31. I. *Plan of the coast of Kent, from the North Foreland to Dover, with the sand banks in the offing; described by Robert Jager.*

32. Submission of distressed and penitent Sir Robert Le Grys addressed to the King. The King having commanded the Attorney General to prefer a bill into the Star Chamber against Sir Robert he acknowledges his demerits and renounces all thoughts of defence or hopes save in the King's goodness. Throwing his fame and fortune at his royal feet he prays to be delivered from his misfortune, and that Mr. Attorney may be commanded to withdraw his hand.

33. Petition of Anthony Ridouet de Sancé to the same. Sets forth his great misery. All his property in France confiscated. Is in debt 160*l.* The late Duke procured him a pension from the King of 100*l.* per annum, on which he cannot live. Prays for an augmentation of another 100*l.* and also for letters of denization for his son and himself. [*See* 1629, *June* 27. *This petition was doubtless presented before that date.*]

34. Draft, in the hand writing of Sec. Coke, of an Order of Council against resort to persons restrained by his Majesty's commandment. The order is founded on the great offence which his Majesty had taken, at the confident and frequent resort of men of all sorts to those under restraint by commandment from himself, for causes not expressed, but which are to be presumed important and just. Persons visiting them in future, without licence, were to be proceeded against as accessories to the fact for which the persons visited were under restraint.

35. Lords of the Admiralty to Sir Henry Marten. He is to cause process to be issued directed to every Vice-Admiral, commanding them to bring in exact accounts of the profits of their offices since the death of the Duke of Buckingham. [*Draft in the hand writing of Nicholas. On the back of it are memoranda, in the same hand, respecting the sovereignty of the Narrow Seas.*]

36. Petition of Wm. Ashwell, of London, merchant, to the Council. Prays order for payment of 500*l.*, paid about eighteen months ago, on the order of Lord Treasurer Marlborough, to Capt. Ledyard of the Charles, for provisions for his Majesty's service, the said pinnace being then in the Elbe.

37. Petition of Robert Earl of Leicester to the same. His father being Governor of the Cautionary Town of Flushing, had granted to him, when that town was relinquished, a pension of 1,200*l.* There remained due one year's pension at the time of his death. Prays payment of the same towards satisfaction of his father's debts.

38. Petition of Aquila Weekes, Keeper of the Gatehouse in Westminster, to the same. Has long and faithfully served the King and

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his deceased father in safe keeping prisoners committed to his custody, for whose diet he has disbursed about 2,000*l.*, and for want of payment thereof has been forced to take up money on interest. Urgently prays payment.

39. Petition of Peter Howgill and John Grene to the Council. Set forth inconveniences which will result from their continuance in the Marshalsea, to which they had been committed, and pray the appointment of a Committee to examine the business, with power for their enlargement.

40. Petition of Kenelm Willoughby, merchant, to the same. The Merchant Adventurers into Muscovia having employed him to convey letters to the city Mosco, petitioner, who had gone thither seven years ago in the service of Job Harby, and received 140*l.* for his pains, carried the same to Plesco, a city in Russia within eleven days of Mosco, where, being stayed by soldiers and robbers, he got his letters safely conveyed to Mosco by a Russian messenger. The merchants now refusing to pay him more than 5*l.*, he prays the Council to call before them Sir Hugh Hammersley, to the end he may receive his due.

41. Petition of William Wheeler, goldsmith, to the same. Since August 1627, petitioner has supplied Capt. John Harrison with moneys to the amount of 37*l.*, for which a security was given by him on certain household goods. On petitioner's enforcing his security, Capt. Harrison procured him to appear before the Council. Prays that he may be discharged, and keep the goods, or have his money.

42. Petition of Humphrey Slaney and Wm. Clobery to the same. Sir Heneage Finch and Sir John Finch have endeavoured to effect an accommodation between the petitioners and the Guinea company, but in vain, in consequence of the opposition of that company, and especially of Nicholas Crispe, who seeks the overthrow of petitioners by enhancing the price of red wood, which he has engrossed into his own hands. Pray relief.

43. Petition of Walter Allewyn of Leyden to the same. When the Hope was taken into Dover, petitioner had therein 300 French crowns and 200 crowns in ryals, which were taken away by Sir John Hippisley, then Lieutenant of Dover Castle. He was ordered to return the same by the Court of Admiralty, but has hitherto refused. Execution against him having been issued, petitioner has been warned to have a care what he did, for Sir John is the King's servant. Prays for letters of assistance.

44. Petition of Roger Widdrington to the same. Was formerly confined to Northampton, and presently after respited from the same until the first day of the present term. Sets forth his past services nearly in the terms used in his petition, *Vol.* xxvii., *No.* 114, and prays for his discharge on his bond to appear on warning.

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45. Petition of Sir Anthony Aucher and Sir Thos. Hardres to the Council. John Bargrave being indebted to petitioners to the value of 4,000*l.*, to defeat their claims has for two years obtained protections, which renders them unable to satisfy their own creditors. Pray that if his protection be renewed it may be limited to freeing his person from arrest, and that his estate may be subject to their debts.

46. Petition of John Waren to the same. On command of the House of Commons, he delivered into the same house a patent granted by the late King to Sir Thomas Glover, for sealing of leather. The Parliament being dissolved, and nothing done against the patent, he prays that the same may be restored to him.

47. Petition of Jane Watkins, a Dutchwoman, widow of Capt. Evan Watkins, Sergeant-Major of Sir Thomas Morton's Regiment, slain at the landing in Rhé, to the same. Capt. Watkins left a company in the Low Countries to serve in the Cadiz Voyage. Petitioner has been two years in London to her great charge, and now Capt. Mason informs her that none is to be paid for the dead until February next. Prays an advance of 100*l.*

48. Memoranda by the Lord President Conway relating to some domestic matter.

49. Carlo Caimo to Lord President Conway. Explains the reasons which have induced him to return to England in opposition to an order of the Council, and appeals to the mercy of the Lord President. Italian.

50. Sir George Hume to the same. Vindicates himself against an opinion of the Lord President that he entertained delays in the business of the proposed marriage between himself and the Lord President's daughter. Protests vehemently to the contrary.

51. Eleanor May to the same. Appeals to him to compassionate her distressed condition. Her husband died 41*l.* in debt to the Lord President. His agent had purchased goods for 10*l.* of that sum, and had distrained all the remainder of his goods for the residue.

52. Petition of James Bonche to the same. By service in the Palatinate and other places, for the late King, is grown weak and sickly, and reduced to extreme misery, even ready to perish, except the King have compassion on his woeful estate. Prays him to put the King in remembrance. [*On the blank page are some memoranda of the Lord President, apparently in reference to his daughter's contemplated marriage with Sir George Hume.*]

53. Petition of Nicholas Gibbons and Thos. Shelton, poor maimed soldiers, to the same. Pray for warrant to travel to St. Ives, in Cornwall, and thence to be shipped into Ireland.

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54. Petition of Margaret Praulfe to Lord President Conway. Has been wronged by Bryant Rogers and John Lansdell, to her utter undoing. Prays they may be sent for and examined.

55. Answer of John Dickenson and John More, presented to Lord President Conway, with reference to the charge against them of not shewing proper arms, in respect of the farm of Micheldever, co. Hants.

56. Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Lord President Conway. By his information the Lord President will discover a great conspiracy against the State. He will prove what he has written to the face of Sir Robert Wolseley and the rest of his faction. [*Copy.*]

57. The same to the same. Has had acquaintance with several persons of that faction, who designed to seize the King and to take him across the sea, so to exempt the kingdom from the subsidies, and authority which his Majesty assumes without the consent of parliament.

58. Walter Montagu to Sec. Dorchester. The King's pleasure is that the Sec. should command any of his Majesty's ships on the coast to conduct the Marquis of Longemeau [?] over into Holland.

59. Bishop Davenant of Salisbury to the same. When his Majesty's pleasure was signified touching the putting of Tomkins into possession, and the order was brought him by Dr. Osbern, his answer was that he would no way oppose the same. The widow of the late Master of the Choristers, being mother to Holmes, who stands elected by the Bishop and three of the Canons, as Tomkins does by the Dean and three other, is loth to yield possession to the prejudice of her son, (the cause depending in the Arches undecided), but the Bishop will, without disturbance, give way to the Dean in ordering anything he is directed, saving the liberty of a legal trial hereafter.

60. Colonel Thos. Morton to the same. Sir Robert Morton the writer's brother, relinquished to him a company in the Low Countries. On the King's promise to intercede with the States he entered the King's service and has continued therein since the beginning of the wars. The States have cashiered him notwithstanding his Majesty's intercession. Being thus deprived of his whole present fortune, prays for relief. On the death of his brother, Secretary Morton, he received many gracious expressions from his Majesty.

61. Endymion Porter to the same. The King directs that Mr. Delamain should have the sole printing of the book and making of the instrument which he delivered to his Majesty. The Secretary is to give order to the seals.

62. Jane Countess of Winchester to the same. Thanks him for a present which she hopes will fall out so as to clothe a son, who she hopes will be more able to serve him than herself.

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63. Petition of Capt. Henry West and Company to Sec. Dorchester. Pray that the St. Denis *alias* the Device of Olona, taken by the petitioners during the late war between England and France, and condemned and divided under sentence of the Court of Admiralty, may not be inserted in the Treaty of Restitution between the French and English.

64. Remonstrance of George Rookes, for himself and three other merchants, interested in the James and the Bride, taken by French men-of-war since the conclusion of Peace, addressed to Sec. Dorchester. The reason alleged for this capture was that Capt. Kirke and other Canada merchants had taken goods from Capt. De Cawne and Company, whereupon 3,000*l.* worth of the goods of the remonstrants had been sold in France and the money paid to De Cawne. The remonstrants suggest that Kirke should be ordered to pay them the 3,000*l.*, and that letters should be written to the French King and Cardinal for delivery of the remainder of their goods and the ships.

65. [Capt. Paprill] to the same. Sets forth his services as an engineer, especially in the sieges of Ostend and Gulick, and prays to be appointed engineer of the fortifications in England, Scotland, and Ireland.

66. Henry Earl of Danby to James Earl of Carlisle. Returns a jewel more than valuable for so much money; on Monday will furnish him with 1,000*l.* without security.

67. Catherine Countess of Devonshire to the same. Thanks for favours, and intreaty that his bounty may be continued.

68. Sir John Townsend to the same. Seeing into what a fearful danger he has fallen, prays the dispatch of his two petitions, and a little supply by his servant, let it be ever so little.

69. John Prince to [Sec. Dorchester ?] Prays for some gratuity for having, on the recommendation of Mr. Burlamachi, attended his Lordship's service, following him wheresoever he followed the Court, with great charge in attending to his employments.

70. Lettice Countess of Leicester to her grandson James Earl of Carlisle. Perceiving that he has no great use of the house he has so long held of her, she requests him to leave it and deliver up his leases, that she may now dispose of it. Requests him also to pay the two years' rent behind that she may have it repaired. Prays God to bless him and her noble daughter.

71. Henry Regnolds [to the same ?] Not only what he can do, but even what he can write to his Lordship, proves his enemy. Intreated his kinsman to re-deliver his Lordship's bond whether he paid the money or no, thus desiring to show that he more relied on his nobleness than on any legal obligation.

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72. Petition of John Moorecock, master cook of the Triumph, to Sec. Coke. Prays that Wm. Crompton may not be allowed to supersede him in his office.

73. Form of warrant to Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty, to issue a Commission for taking pirates, originally prepared for the Duke of Buckingham, in the case of the Gift of God, whereof Humphrey Cheney, of London, merchant, was the owner, and Henry Lewen, master, and afterwards applied to the case of the Fortune, of London, owner Capt. Alexander Moore, Henry Whiller [?] master.

74. Manors comprised within the Queen's jointure in the office of Auditor Povey. It includes manors in cos. Middlesex, Hertford, Essex, Kent, Huntingdon, Norfolk, and Suffolk.

75. Names of the household servants of the King and Queen.

76. Names of his Majesty's servants in the Chamber and Privy Chamber.

77. Names of the King's and Queen's servants in the stable. "John Shackspeire" stands as the first of two yeoman bit-makers.

78. Propositions not to raise the moneys or standard of the kingdom. The reasons are stated which have induced the King of France to raise his coin at this time, and the consequences deemed certain to ensue. The necessary results upon traffic and prices are stated with great clearness.

79. Considerations concerning the business of the Mint, the merchants' exchange, and the advisableness of following the example of a foreign Prince in raising the value of money.

80. Notes touching John Carr, postmaster of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and Robert Hefeld, a merchant there, who are stated in the examination of John Bulley, of Totness, merchant, to be harbourers of priests.

81. Notes concerning the mode in which letters are conveyed to and from England, Flanders, and Spain.

82. Return by Matthew de Quester of the prices charged for packets sent by express messengers or by post to the chief cities of Europe. [*It is similar to Vol.* xliv., *No.* 34.]

83. Names of the posts under the charge of Matthew de Quester.

84. Petition of Edward Nicholas, Clerk of the Council extraordinary, to the Commissioners for buildings. Mr. Kenersley, yeoman of the Wardrobe, having taken a lease of an old house adjoining to the petitioner's house, has rebuilt the same in a manner greatly to his annoyance, and contrary to his Majesty's proclamation. Prays relief.

85. Draft of the preceding written on the back of a letter directed to Nicholas, as Secretary of the Admiralty.

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86. [Lord Treasurer Weston] to the Attorney General. Warrant to prepare a grant to Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, of certain surrounded grounds in cos. Lincoln and York, at the yearly rent of 462*l.* 17*s.*

87. Draft of the Docquet to a grant to Henry Earl of Stamford, and Daniel Britton, on the nomination of Edward Wright and Richard Wright, of the Manor of Broughton Ashley, co. Leicester, made in order to change the tenure from being in capite to socage. [*See Vol.* cvii. *No.* 86, *and Vol.* cxxxvi. *No.* 23.]

88. Names of all those who have killed, coursed, or shot at deer, within the Forest of Leicester since the first of May, 1629.

89. Request of Ralph Maddison that Sec. Dorchester would inform the King that there were precedents for Maddison's allowance of 50*l.* per annum, for wages as Keeper of Battles-walk, in the Forest of Windsor, being paid by the Receiver General of co. Berks.

90. Precedents adduced by Ralph Maddison in support of his request above mentioned.

91. Indictment against Ralph Killinghall, of East Smithfield, for intermarrying with Elizabeth Presick during the lifetime of his wife Mary.

92. State of the account for the disafforestation of Selwood and Roche Forests. The King was to be paid 20,000*l.*, of which 1,901*l.* remained unpaid. There were lands unsold and unpaid for to the value of 3,165*l.*, leaving a balance after paying the King of 1,264*l.*, against which there were demands amounting to 7,849*l.* 13s. 6d.

93. Particular of rents received for the town of Clapham, for the year 1629 : total, 306*l.* 2s.

94. Orders set down by Archbishop Harsnet of York, to be affixed in all parish churches within his jurisdiction, for reforming certain abuses. The abuses are:—1. That during Divine service young men, misled by the example of their elders, sit covered. 2. That men walk up and down, and talk before and after Divine service, and keep ales and drinkings within the Church, and write their rates on the Communion Table. 3. Overcharge for Visitation articles. They are to be charged at sixpence, and to be used for seven years. 4. Increase of Fees. A Table is to be affixed in a public place. [*Printed.*]

95. Bishop Howson of Durham, to Thomas Viscount Wentworth, Lord President of York. Hopes that Smart will submit to acknowledgment and confession of his many errors, and that the law will pass upon him. If the Bishop had not suffered him to dispose of his livings, he would more readily hold to conformity. It is not in the Bishop's power to dispose of his prebends, being engaged by superior commands, and by his own former grants. Hopes next term to be able to confer with him and the Bishop of London. [*Draft.*]

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96. Sketches of two tables, explanatory of the typical character of the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, indorsed by Bishop Laud, "Certain tables, which I stayed from being set up "in some churches of my diocese."

97. Statutes of the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church, Oxford, for the good government of the Students. [*Copy.*]

98. Examination of James Nalton, of St. Mary Colechurch, London, lecturer, in answer to certain objections against him, preferred in an Ecclesiastical Court, or in the High Commission. Admits that in christening two children for Mr. Damport, in the church of St. Stephen, Coleman Street, of which Mr. Damport is rector, instead of saying the words in the Prayer Book, "I sign thee with the sign of the cross," he said, "I sign thee with the seal of the "covenant." Expresses regret, and promises never after to offend in the same manner.

99. Certificate of Rich. Cowdall, Henry Burton, Jeremiah Leech, and George Walker, clergymen of London, in behalf of the abovementioned James Nalton.

100. Mr. Wandesford's opinion upon the right of presentation to the Rectory of Badingham, co. Suffolk. Glemham and Sumpter had both been presented in different rights, the point chiefly in dispute being whether a recusant convict could sell an advowson.

101. Statement of Mr. Glemham's case in the dispute respecting the Rectory of Badingham.

102. Statement of the principal points to be considered, as to the mode of proceeding between the Bishop of Chalcedon and the Regulars, with the answers of the Nuncio to the same, point by point. [*Copy.*]

103. Fragment of a Latin work upon the early ecclesiastical history of England, found upon a priest taken at Margate by the Lord President Conway's warrant. The present part contains pp. 16, and runs from A.D. 460 to A.D. 491. Lat.

104. Reasons why Wm. Clopton should not hold the office of receiver for his Majesty, for Northumberland, Durham, and Richmondshire, he being a recusant convict.

105. Notes specially relating to Bishop Smith of Chalcedon, and his exercise of episcopal jurisdiction in England.

106. Copy of the same.

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1. Collection of precedents of Orders for Injunctions, and stay of proceedings, in suits at the Common-law brought against the King's officers for levying the King's duties. [*They extend from the* 21*st Elizabeth to the* 4*th Charles.*]

2. "Answer to Mrs. Allanson's Brief;" being an abstract of evidence taken in a testamentary cause with a view of rebutting an accusation made against Nathaniel Hart, a principal witness in the same cause. The will in question was made at Crookhaven.

3. Brief *ex parte* Hamond *versus* Maxwell, in a suit respecting the tithes of Wye, Bocton [Boughton], Aluph, Bresset, and Newington, co. Kent. [*Damaged by damp.*]

4. Defence of John Prigeon, Registrar of the Bishop of Lincoln, and Walter Walker, his Deputy Registrar, in a cause against them for favouring puritans, promoted by Henry Alleyn and supported by Sir John Lambe and Dr. Sibthorpe.

5. Short statement of the points of the defence above mentioned. [*Damaged by damp.*]

6. Additional defence of John Prigeon and Walter Walker in the same cause.

7. Short statement of the points of the additional defence.

8. Statement on the part of the Company of Stationers of London of the case between them and the University of Cambridge, respecting the right of the latter to print certain privileged books. [*See Vol.* cxl. *No.* 62.]

9. Brief relation touching the difference above mentioned between the University of Cambridge and the Company of Stationers in London.

10. Causes alleged by Mary Atkinson, *alias* Laxton, late wife to Lieutenant Anthony Atkinson, deceased, why his lands ought not to be granted to Mary Bath, wife of Nicholas Bath, but to the said Mary Laxton and William Atkinson, her son, in conformity with directions sent to the Attorney General, 1628, April 29. [*See Vol.* cii., *No.* 52.]

11. Statement addressed to the Council by some person complained against by Mr. Poole, respecting matters which had already been adjudicated upon at a sessions held at Kemble. The author of the statement desires that the dispute should be left for settlement in the Star Chamber. [*The Poole referred to may have been Henry Poole, of Cirencester, as to whom, see Vol.* liv., *No.* 28.]

12. Statement of the case between Thomas Estofte and Margaret Mearing, respecting the right to a lease of the Manor of Collingham.

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13. Reasons for suppressing the depositions taken in a cause between Matthew de Quester and others plaintiffs and Edward Vaughan, defendant. The cause related to certain mines. The examination of witnesses on the spot was interfered with by "the potency" of the defendant.

14. Petition of Captain Henry Whittingham to the Council, and Council of War. Having served in the last voyage for the relief of Rochelle, he prays that he may have the arrear of his entertainment for the ten weeks, together with the month's gratuity.

15. Answer of Captain Emanuel Gilpin to certain questions propounded by the Council of War, in relation to his claim for compensation for the loss of his appointments in the service of Holland, which he gave up on entering the service of his Majesty.

16. Certificate of Edw. Lord Conway that Wendesley Hanmer, Ralph Heath, and Thos. Harris left their fortunes in the Low Countries, and served his Majesty from the expedition to Cadiz to the retreat from Rhé.

17. List of sergeants who served in the Cadiz expedition, with the names of their captains, and what each received of Capt. Mason.

18. List indorsed "Lieutenant Savage" of the names of eleven pensioners whose arrears were paid.

19. Declaration of sums paid to Sir Francis Willoughby by Capt. John Mason, treasurer of the army, for his services in the expeditions to Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle. Total 994*l.* 16*s.*

20. Statement of services of Sir John Conyers, formerly in the service of Holland, and afterwards Lieutenant-Colonel to Sir John Borlase, in the employ of the King of Denmark. He prays a pension.

21. Paper prepared for Lord Viscount Conway, containing a brief account of the preparations in 1588 for resisting "the Spanish Armado, which they called Invincible."

22. Similar paper containing questions to be considered respecting the navy after the Armada had passed to the northward, with a statement of all the men furnished on that occasion throughout England and Wales.

23. Petition of Abraham Barnes, ropemaker, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Prays discharge from imprisonment on an accusation of complicity with Thos. Confert, Nicholas Gallop, and Henry Gray, in an intention to steal ropes from the King's stores at Chatham.

24. Petition of John May to the same. Petitioner was entered on 15th August 1615, Master Assistant to his Majesty's shipwrights, in conjunction with Henry Goddard, John Apslyn, and Peter Pett. He was afterwards displaced for the ease of his

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Majesty's charge, the number of assistants being reduced to two, and afterwards readmitted by the late Duke of Buckingham, until about three months ago, when he was again discharged by the officers of the Navy on the ground before alleged. States his services, and prays relief. *Annexed,*

24. I. *Officers of the Navy to the late Duke of Buckingham. John May was discharged only for the ease of his Majesty's charge. Recommend his restoration to his office.* 1628, *May* 12. *Copy.*

24. II. *The late Duke of Buckingham to the officers of the Navy. Warrant to restore John May to his office of Master Assistant.* 1628, *May* 24. *Copy.*

25. Brief statement of the contents of the first book of Dr. Reeves's "Historia Navalis."

26. Certificate of Nicholas, that no Trinity House certificate was received, nor any warrant for ordnance given, to any merchant ship, between the 26th of June 1628, and the 5th of January 1629.

27. Draft by Sir Henry Marten of a notification that the King's proclamation of 4th May 1628, making lawful prize of all ships having on board any prohibited articles, be suspended in favour of the French; with certain considerations underwritten as to the impolicy of such suspension. [*Altered by Sec. Dorchester.*]

28. Brief on the King's part respecting the capture of the St. John of Dunkirk, taken by the Convertive, Sir Thomas Button, and brought into Bristol by Capt. Thomas.

29. Petition of Humphrey Slaney, Nicholas Crisp, and [William Clobery ?] to the Council. Complain of the seizure of their ship, the Benediction, when trading in the river Senegal in June 1629, by Capt. Bontemps, of Dieppe, and pray redress.

30. Particulars of goods aboard the Benediction at the time of her seizure by Captain Bontemps, and which goods belonged to her owners, Humphrey Slaney and others. Total value, 13,435*l.* 10*s.*

31. Account of all ships, seamen, fishermen, and watermen belonging to the principal ports of England, according to the musters certified to the Lords of the Admiralty in 1628.

32. Account of Capt. John Pennington of the expenditure of 8,000*l.* received for building and fitting the Ten Lion's Whelps. [*This account is of later date than the one in Vol.* cxiv. *No.* 78. *By a subsequent minute, in the handwriting of Capt. Pennington, it appears that* 1,000*l. advanced for ordnance for the Whelps was ultimately "put upon Sir John Heydon" which transfer made this account and the previous one agree.*

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33. Note by Capt. Wm. Scras of his charges and damages sustained in taking and keeping of the St. Andrew of Rotterdam; total 592*l.* 15*s.*

34. Statement by Sir Henry Marten of the grounds of the judgments given in the Admiralty Court for Sir Kenelm Digby in the cases of the goods of Bartholomew Spinola, John Baptista Preue and Augustin Panese. [*Copy.*]

35. Exceptions by Sir Henry Marten to a Reglement proposed by the French Ambassador with reference to the transport of prohibited goods by the French during the war between England and Spain. [*Copy.*]

36. List of ships furnished with ordnance by warrant from the Lords of the Admiralty, commencing January, 1629.

37. List of counties from which certificates of musters have been returned with the names of the defaulters in each county.

38. Petition to the Council entitled "State of the cause touching his Majesty's armourers." By order dated 11th September John Medley was to receive the 400*l.* allowed for keeping his Majesty's armouries, not being tied to account, but undertaking to bring in fifty horsemen's arms a year. It is shewn that this order will operate to the King's detriment and it is therefore prayed that the same may be revoked.

39. Brief state of the account of Sir John Heydon as Lieutenant of the Ordnance, for the ordinary for the year 1627, with various payments since that date.

40. Similar brief statement of another account of Sir John Heydon, for the Office of Ordnance, from 21 Aug. to the 6th November 1627. This account is rendered by Francis Morice, Clerk of the Ordnance.

41. Account of dame Elizabeth Moryson, widow and executrix of Sir William Harrington, executor of Sir Richard Moryson, late Lieutenant of the Ordnance, for moneys received out of the subsidy monies in 1624.

42. Memorial of Sir Paul Harris for permission to transfer his office of Surveyor of the Ordnance to Mr. Knight. On the death of Sir Alexander Brett, the King bestowed the profit of his place, as Surveyor of the Ordnance, on his widow. Sir Paul Harris, her brother in law, was persuaded by the late Duke of Buckingham, having married his cousin german, to take upon him the execution of the place, and pay Lady Brett 1,500*l.*, on promise of further preferment. On the Duke's death, for want of means, Sir Paul was forced to retire into his own country, being 120 miles from London. Has not received a penny since he held the place, which he is now quitting at a loss of 500*l.*

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43. Warrant to the Clerk of the Signet to prepare a bill for a grant of the office of Clerk of the Armoury to John Loup with the fee of 2*s.* 6*d.* per diem, and 26*s.* per annum for livery, in reversion after John Rowdon, who holds the same office under a grant from King James. [*Copy.*]

44. Statement of proceedings on the petition of Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Murray and others, for the yearly stamping and repairing of the common arms, with the motives for the solicited grant.

45. Charge of John Blachford against John Gardner, Collector of the Customs at Weymouth, for having wrongfully stated that Blachford had refused to pay Customs for goods brought in by [Capt.] Hinckley.

46. Proposed [?] royal warrant for securing to Philip Burlamachi 128,573*l.*, due to him and his friends on the public account. He is to have a present payment, such as his Majesty's affairs shall permit, and is to be allowed to retain on account the Customs on all imports and exports of himself and his friends.

47. Note of several disbursements made by Philip Burlamachi, not comprehended in his last account, amounting to 19,346*l.*

48. Particular value of the estate of Henry Winchcombe, his Majesty's ward, principally in co. Berks.

49. Precedents stated by Richard Wright, of fines imposed on persons who having, temp. Henry II., 10*l.* or 15*l.*, per annum, and temp. Henry VIII., 40*l.* per annum in lands, omitted to take upon themselves the order of knighthood; with suggestion of the way in which the King might proceed to levy fines on the same ground.

50. Charges of Wm. Owen, post, for employments in the King's service in 1629.

51. Substance of the covenants with the saltpetremen since 1624.

52. Report of Commissioners appointed to inquire into the causes why wools have fallen from their wonted values. [*Much of it in the handwriting of Attorney General Heath.*]

53. Report from another Commission, appointed to consider in what manner the impediments to the reputation and values of English wools and cloth may be removed. [*In the handwriting of Attorney General Heath.*]

54. Some few instances of the general and great abuse by the transportation of victuals and other staple goods of the Kingdom from all or most of the outports, with suggestions for a remedy.

55. Petition of the merchants of London trading to France to the Council. Having by a former petition made known that, since the last difference between England and France, the King of France had raised his customs on the English from 3½ to 6 per cent., the Council

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directed petitioners to consider how the same might be redressed. They suggest that the King should lay an equivalent duty on French imports, with other minute regulations.

56. Letter of George Blackall, setting forth the privileges formerly enjoyed by English merchants at Bordeaux, and the alterations lately effected.

57. Statement of complaints of the English merchants trading to France of the increase of the customs and of other new regulations at Bordeaux, Rochelle, and Morlaix.

58. The French Company that trade in wines to Sec. Coke. If it be found convenient by the Council to give any toleration to the Vintners for dressing meat, that the Sec. would move that they should prefer the English merchant in buying their wines.

59. Fragment of an account of money received at the Signet Office.

60. Another fragment of a similar account.

61. Drawing of some mechanical contrivance, perhaps intended for a floating bridge.

62. Reasons against the importation of foreign cards. This importation is claimed under the Treaty of Peace with France, but is forbidden by the Charter lately granted to the Cardmakers. If his Majesty will prohibit the importation, the Cardmakers will freely pay to the Crown for ever 8*s*. upon every gross of cards, in lieu of the loss of customs upon foreign cards.

63. Grant to Accepted Frewen, S.T.B., of the first Canonry or Prebend which shall fall vacant in the Chapel of St. George in Windsor Castle. [*Unsigned, without docquet, and with a long erasure at the conclusion.*]

64. John Earl of Bristol to the King. Humbly requests that the King would remove his displeasure and allow the Earl access to him on all necessary occasions; that the clearing of his Spanish accounts may be referred to a Secretary of State, or such other as the King shall please; that the arrear of his annuity granted by the late King out of the Court of Wards, being the portion of his eldest daughter, now at woman's estate, may be paid; and that he may have leave to retire himself into the country.

65. Copy of the same.

66. Proofs of the particulars touching the Earl of Bristol's demands in the Exchequer.

67. Legal opinion as to the interests of Francis Plowden the younger, under the agreements made on his marriage with Elizabeth Butler, and an award made by Sir Basil Brooke and Edward Sheldon, between Plowden the father and his son.

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68. Petition of the tenants of the manor of Hanslope, co. Bucks., to Capt. John Pennington, Lord of the said manor. Were in treaty with the Commissioners for sale of the King's lands for purchase of their estates, and it was consented that they should have the same at 15 years purchase. Before they could pass the same, a grant was made to Capt. Pennington. Pray him to let petitioners have his estate at 25 years purchase.

69. Extract, apparently cut out of a letter, probably addressed by some one at Oxford to Bishop Laud, respecting the proposal for clearing away some old buildings, which stood between the schools and St. Mary's churchyard. The nature of the alteration is described. The square intended to be formed would be 100 feet longer than it would be broad, but the conduit in the midst would by diversion much cover that small eyesore. [*Indorsed by Bishop Laud, apparently after it had been cut out of the letter, of which it formed part.*]

70. Prophecy, probably found in the Court by the Clerk of the Closet, and by him delivered to the Secretary of State. It purports to have been translated out of an old Latin Manuscript, and to be the prophecy of Mellitus, Archbishop of Canterbury.

It commences:—

When splendent Sol hath lifted up
Her (*sic*) raging, fiery-footed team,
And made his passage 'twixt the Cup,
And the brave golden Diadem.

It was folded as a letter, and addressed on the outside:—

To Ball the vicar,
Or some brother,
Whose wit's the quicker,
T'one or t'other,
And more profound,
Let him expound:
Yet not surpass
Old Balaam's Ass.

71. John Southwood to his servant Richard Gooding. Instructions how to conduct himself on his arrival at Flushing. Bastien Petersen will provide him a place where he may learn the languages.

72. Request of widow Brown that the person addressed would speak to the King to give directions to the Secretary for Scotland to draw up a warrant for satisfaction of his [her ?] fees, 6*l.* 10*s.* per annum, since the late King's coming from Scotland.

73. Henry Jermyn to Mr. Wylde [William Weld]. To let Jermyn's man receive the packet money.

74. Account of money expended by a servant, chiefly on a journey with his master from Dorsetshire to London. The following are extracts: "Given to the man that went to Sir Thomas Freke with

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"the letter that I brought my master, 10*s.*; paid for the carrying "pictures to Whitehall, 7*d.*; paid more for the carrying pictures "to Whitehall, 1*s.*; paid for a torch when you went to my Lady "Newport's to the play, 10*d.*"

75. Account of seven paintings of Torrentius to be seen at Liss near Leyden, and at Haerlem.

76. Names of Justices of the peace for co. Denbigh.

77. Mem. for [the Clerk of the Signet] to draw a grant of denization for Joan de Waversyn, wife of Robert Goodwyn, citizen and salter of London.

78. Minute of application of Aloisia, widow of Sir John Barkelay, to the King for assistance in the recovery of an annuity of 500 marks, charged by her late husband on a mansion house at Beverstone, co. Gloucester.

79. Poem [by Thomas Carew] addressed to Ben Jonson upon occasion of his writing his Ode to Himself. There are several various readings, some of them of importance, between this copy and the printed editions of this poem.

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A Table of Contents to a volume not found in these collections, but said to have been entitled "Admiralty Letters, from 1629 to 1632." The volume now under notice constitutes a brief calendar, or rather a series of references in chronological order, to certain acts of the Lords of the Admiralty between those dates. The following entries will exhibit the nature of these references:—"Sir Henry "Mervyn, to fetch over Don Carlos de Coloma;" "Officers [of the] "Navy to cause the Dreadnought to be supplied with boats and "carpenters' stores;" "Sir Henry Mervyn to carry over Sir Henry "Vane, and then to stand for Dunkirk;" "Sir Henry Mervyn to "carry out two of the Lord Treasurer's sons to Calais."

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ENTRY BOOK OF INSTRUCTIONS TO NAVAL OFFICERS, COMPILED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF EDWARD NICHOLAS.

This volume did not come to hand in time for the insertion of the whole of its contents in the calendar in due chronological sequence. The papers entered in it which are of a date subsequent to 1629 will be found in their proper chronological order. Those anterior to that period must be reserved for the General Appendix mentioned at the close of the Preface to the First Volume of the present Calendar.

WARRANTS FOR ISSUING LETTERS OF MARQUE,

GRANTED BY THE LORDS COMMISSIONERS OF THE ADMIRALTY DURING THE YEAR 1629,

In continuation of those granted up to the end of the Year 1628, *printed in the Calendar of the Domestic Papers of Charles I.*, 1628–1629, *p.* 439.

Date.	Owners of Ships.	Names of Ships.	Tonnage.	Captains or Masters.	Reference.
1629.					Vol. cxxx.
Jan. 3	Charles Driver, and others	Neptune of Bristol Her Pinnace -	120 80	Not stated -	p. 9.
„ „	John Richards, and John Budley, of Dartmouth -	Endeavour, of Dartmouth Vineyard	220 70	Not stated	„
„ 6	Gabriel Cornish, and others.	Margaret, of Weymouth	100	Gabriel Cornish	p. 10.
„ 8	Robert Fleming and Edward Eastman, of Barnstaple, and others - -	Seraphin, of Barnstaple Delight - -	80 40	Edw. Fleming - Michael Clarke -	„
„ 13	Wm. Wills, and others	Benediction, of London Anne - -	300 70	William Wills Josias Isaacke	„
„ „	John Locke, Walter Ellis, and others -	Elizabeth, of Bristol - Her Pinnace	250 80	Not stated.	„
„ 17	John Dike, Richard Ferrers, and Co.	Charity, of London -	200	John Craven	„
„ „	George Rookes, Robert Grove, and others.	Bride, of London	300	Elias Jourden -	„
„ „	Tuppin Scras, and others - -	Dolphin, of Shoreham - Fortune - -	120 80	Henry Wheeler - Thomas Squibb -	„
„ 20	Capt. James Duppa, Capt. Wm. Harman, and others.	James, of London	250	Capt. Harman	„
„ „	William Hill, and others -	Eagle, of Dartmouth John - -	150 70	Robert Sparke - John Taylor -	p. 11.
„ 22	Sir John Crosby, and others -	Ark, of Wexford Seaflower -	300 60	Sir John Crosby Oliver French -	„
„ 23	Stephen Reynolds, and others.	Content, of Weymouth	60	Stephen Reynolds	„
„ 24	Francis Creswick, and others.	St. George, of Bristol -	60	John Jones -	„
„ 26	John Monck, and others	Pilgrim, of Weymouth	140	John Monck	„
„ „	George Blackall, and others.	Hopewell, of Topsham	60	Not stated	„
„ 27	Thomas Mayde, and others.	Great Sapphire, of London.	300	Thomas Mayde	„
„ 29	John Jones, and others	William, of London -	30	John Jones -	„
„ „	Thomas Coles, and others - -	Fortune, of Bristol Her Pinnace -	150 40	Not stated -	p. 12.
„ „	Charles Driver and others - -	George, of Bristol Her Pinnace - -	300 40	Robert Neson Not stated	„
„ „	Capt. James Foran, and others - -	Fortune, of Saltash - Hester - - -	100 30	Peter Laloue Stephen Rebuloe	„
„ „	John Scobell, and others	Desire, of Plymouth	80	Not stated	„
„ „	John Lynne, of Exeter, and others.	Endeavour, of Topsham	100	Not stated -	„
„ „	John Lynne, Nich. Roope, and others.	George, of Topsham	40	Wm. White -	„
„ 30	Richard Champion and others.	Elizabeth, of Weymouth and Melcombe Regis.	50	Richard Champion	„

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1629.					Vol. cxxx.
Feb. 2	Capt. Matthew Burgius, and others -	Charles, of Plymouth Mary - -	140 40	Matthew Burgius Not stated -	p. 12.
„ 3	Capt. John Smart, and others -	Adventure, of Dartmouth Her Pinnace	120 30	John Smart - Not stated	p. 13.
„ 4	Capt. John Pryn	Thomas and Margaret, of Orston.	100	Rich. Teate	„
„ „	The same	James, of Orston -	100	Thos. Pryn	„
„ 7	Mark Hawkins, and others -	Fortune, of Dartmouth The Content	250 80	John Tawley Not stated -	„
„ 11	George Tanner, Wm. Lee, and others -	Fellowship, of Topsham The Friendship -	120 70	Wm. Jarman - Not stated	„
„ „	James Dennys, and others -	Judith of Weymouth Her Pinnace	60 40	Jonas Dennys - Not stated	p. 14.
„ 12	Walter Ellis, and others.	Rosemary, of Bristol -	100	Not stated	p. 13.
„ 17	Robert White, and others.	Great Katherine, of Weymouth.	100	Robert White	p. 14.
„ 20	John Haynes, and others.	Flying Drake, of Weymouth.	40	John Haynes -	„
„ 21	Gabriel Greene, and others.	Mary, of Plymouth	50	Gabriel Greene -	„
„ 23	Capt. Henry West, and others.	Transport, of London -	160	Henry West	„
„ 26	Nicholas Strangways, and others - -	Willing Mind, of Bristol Endeavour - - -	200 80	Nicholas Strangways. Not stated	„
„ 27	James Waddon, and others.	Esperance, of Stonehouse.	100	Paul Divernett -	„
Mar. 3	Nicholas Roope, and others.	Hercules, of Dartmouth	140	Thomas Newcomen.	„
„ „	Capt. Peter Foran, and others -	St. Peter, of Plymouth - Mary - -	120 40	Rocke Parkert - Not stated -	p. 15.
„ „	Francis Neville -	Amazon, of London	90	The owner	„
„ „	Leo. Calvert - -	St. Claude, of London -	300	The owner	„
„ 7	Richard Russell, and others.	Content, of Weymouth	60	Henry Hinckley	„
„ 11	Richard James, and Henry Wentworth.	Rose, of Portsmouth -	40	William Austin-	p. 16.
„ 12	Capt. Peter Neau, and others.	Richard, of Plymouth -	40	Not stated	p. 15.
„ „	Thomas Wilde, and others - -	Falcon, of Bristol Mayflower - -	100 40	Henry Jones Lewis Williams-	p. 16.
„ „	Michael Greene, and others.	Grace, of Portsmouth -	30	Michael Greene	„
„ 13	James Hall, and others	Thomas and John, of London.	160	James Hall	p. 15.
„ „	Francis Amadas, and others.	Patience, of Plymouth -	200	James Wallis -	„
„ „	Humphrey Gayer, and others.	Swallow, of Plymouth -	50	John Sparke	„
„ „	John Lockyer, and others - -	Dragon, of Weymouth - Phœnix - - -	140 40	John Lockyer Not stated	„
„ „	Capt. Richard Cranley, and others.	Clement and Job, of London.	300	Richard Cranley	p. 16.
„ [13]	John Gaines, and others	St. John Baptist, of Bristol. Her Pinnace	300 40	John Gaines Not stated	„
„ [13]	Capt. William Hull -	Talbot, of Lymecolne Phœnix - -	200 40	Not stated	„
„ 13	John Morris, and others	Blessing, of London	200	John Rayman	„

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Mar. 13	Capt. David Kirke -	Abigail, of London William -	300 200	The owner - Not stated	p. 17.
„ „	Capt. Thomas Kirke, and others - -	George, of London The Jarvis - -	200 200	Thomas Kirke Richard Bryarton	„
„ 14	Henry Batteshell, and others.	Unicorn, of Topsham	140	William Showers	p. 16.
„ „	James Reskeimer, and others - -	Honor, of Cowes - Swan -	150 50	James Reskeimer Not stated	p. 17.
„ „	Sir Maurice Abbott, Governor of the East India Company, and others - -	Charles, of London Discovery, of London - Reformation, of London London, of London	700 500 400 600	John Weddell John Bickley Not stated John Pynne -	„
„ 16	George Headland, and others - -	Dainty, of Bristol Delight	80 40	George Headland Not stated	„
„ 21	Capt. John Stephens, Jo. Marshal, and others - - -	London, of London Fly - - -	140 20	William Kempthorne. Not stated	„
„ „	ArthurChampernoone, and others -	Chidleigh, of Dartmouth The Martin	140 35	William Symonds Gilbert Smythe -	p. 18.
„ „	Richard Wright and others.	Shuttle of Weymouth	40	Not stated	„
„ 25	Captain Daniel Galliard Le Cave -	Grace of God, of Foy Gift of God -	60 40	Daniel G. Le Cave JohnGilliard Letan	„
„ „	Nicholas Opie and Robert Trelawny -	Confidence, of Plymouth Her Pinnace - -	50 30	Not stated Not stated -	„
„ 28	William Croford, and others.	Employment, of Ipswich	350	William Croford	
„ 28	John Shapleigh and others.	Merchant Royal, of Dartmouth	120	William Booth -	„
„ 30	Captain William Bundocke and others.	Jane Bonaventure, of London.	250	William Bundocke	„
„ „	Richard Peters, and others.	Amity Peter, of Bristol	120	Richard Peters -	„
„ 31	Capt. Wm. Cocke, and others.	Plough, of London	180	William Cocke -	p. 19
„ „	Francis Champernoone, and others.	St. Nicholas, of Dartmouth.	not stated	Not stated- -	„
„ „	George Hatch, and others.	Royal Merchant, of London.	400	George Hatch	„
„ „	Daniel Bannester, and others.	Rainbow, of London -	300	Daniel Bannester	„
Apr. 1	Thomas Wright, and others - -	Porcupine, of Bristol Her Pinnace -	not stated 40	Robert Wright - Not stated-	„
„ 2	Thomas Willoughby, and others.	Speedwell, of Rye	100	Thomas Willoughby	„
„ 6	John Stroud, and others	George Bonaventure, of London.	240	Roger Twedy	„
„ „	Rowland Wilson, and others.	Good Hope, of London.	80	George May	„
„ „	John Pryn, and others	Thomas and Margaret of Orston. The James - -	100 not stated	Thomas Pryn Richard Teate	„
„ 9	William Palmer, and others.	Providence, of Barnstaple.	160	Thomas May -	p. 20.
„ 11	Captain William Scras and others -	Bevis, of Southampton William and John -	200 not stated	Thomas Bridges Thomas Needler	„
„ 14*	Thomas Hewes, and others.	Amity, of London -	120	Thomas Hewes -	„

* *Note in MS.*—This day Letters of Marque ceased against the French.

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Date.	Owners of Ships.	Names of Ships.	Tonnage.	Captains or Masters.	Reference.
1629.					Vol. cxxx.
Apr. 15	John Lane, and others	Endeavour, of Dartmouth.	150	John Lane	p. 20.
		Speedwell.	40	Robert Wallis	
„ 21	Kenelm Wiseman, and others.	Mayflower, of Falmouth.	160	Kenelm Wiseman.	„
„ „	William Haulse, and others.	Peter, of Falmouth -	55	William Haulse	„
„ 22	John Wilde, and others	Dragon, of London	400	John Wilde -	„
„ 23	Capt. Edward Ackworth, and others.	Desire, of Lynn	150	Edward Ackworth.	„
May 2	Theophilus Man, and others.	Mermaid, of Poole	60	Henry Frost	p. 21.
„ 6	Roger Matthewes, and others.	Dolphin, of Dartmouth	200	Richard Smyth -	„
„ 9	John Strange, and others - -	———, of Bideford -	120	William Davy -	„
		Her Pinnace - -	40	Not stated	
„ „	Charles Saltonstall -	Susan and Ellen, of London.	300	Charles Saltonstall.	„
„ 10	John Heaman, and others.	Patience, of London	240	John Heaman -	„
„ 11	Matthew Cassemarte, and others - -	Elizabeth, of Plymouth	50	Mat. Cassemarte	„
		Her Pinnace -	30	Not stated	
„ „	John White, and others	James, of Plymouth -	not stated	Hugh Sampson -	„
„ 12	George Shepherd, and others.	George and Eliza, of London.	140	Not stated	„
„ 16	Frederick Windsor -	Unity, of London	80	The owner	„
„ 18	John Huddlestone, and others.	Nicholas, of London	150	John Huddlestone.	p. 22.
„ „	Capt. Henry Hawley, and others.	Carlisle, of London -	300	Henry Hawley -	„
„ 22	Richard Jacobs, and others.	Holdfast, of Dover -	35	Richard Jacobs	„
„ 27	Humphrey Hooke, and others - -	Abraham, of Bristol -	200	John Bush -	„
		Pelican - -	not stated	Charles Hamond	
„ 28	Capt. Peter Neau, and others.	Barnaby, of Plymouth	80	Peter Neau -	„
June 3	Anthony Follett, and others.	Nut, of Dartmouth	120	Anthony Follett	„
„ 4	Walter Dyamant, and others.	Diamond, of Dartmouth	50	Robert Nutt	„
„ 9	Capt. Peter Salleneuve, and others - -	Truelove, of Weymouth	60	Peter Salleneuve	„
		Mary - - -	20	Not stated	
„ 9	Gilbert Sweet, and others.	Regard, of Topsham -	200	Capt. Nutt	p. 23.
„ 16	Ninian Barkly, and others.	Black George, of London	300	N. Barkly	„
„ 20	Capt. Richard Donnell, and others -	Foudroyant, of Plymouth.	150	Richard Donnell	„
		Mary - - - -	60	Not stated -	
„ „	William Simpson, and others - -	Eleanor, of Weymouth	50	Wm. Simpson	„
		Joan - - -	40	Not stated -	
„ 30	Thomas Chaplin, and others.	Friendship, of Weymouth.	60	Thomas Chaplin	„
July 3	Gabriel Sherman, and others.	Mary, of Bristol -	100	Peter White	„
„ 6	John Bennett, and others - -	Lion, of Bristol -	200	John Bennett	„
		The Lion's Whelp -	35	Not stated	
„ 7	John Preen, and others	Friendship, of London -	300	John Preen -	„
„ 11	Richard Pountis, and others.	Martha, of London -	200	Richard Pountis	p. 24

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July 11	Thomas Wright, and others.	Dainty, of Bristol	100	Not stated -	p. 24.
„ 15	Robert Guyer, and others.	Sarah, of Weymouth	100	Robert Guyer	„
„ „	Thomas Owen, and others.	Blessing, of Youghal	40	Thomas Owen -	„
„ 17	John Gunning, and others.	Thunder, of Bristol	50	Not stated -	„
„ 21	William French, and others.	Elizabeth, of London	80	Not stated -	„
„ „	Robert Trelawny	Confidence, of Plymouth Her Pinnace - -	50 30	Not stated	„
„ 22	John Woolders, and others.	Vintage, of London -	130	John Woolders -	„
„ 28	Richard Bragge, and others.	Little Dick, of London	20	Richard Bragge	p 25.
„ „	Richard Hooper, and others.	Jonathan, of London	300	Richard Hooper	„
„ 30	Thomas Woodson, and others.	Charles, of Bristol -	100	Thomas Woodson	„
Aug. 1	Robert Salter, and others.	Margaret, of Weymouth	100	Robert Salter	„
„ 2	Thomas King, and others.	Pelican, of London	140	Thomas Pye	p. 26.
„ 4	Philip, Earl of Montgomery.	Jane, of London - -	60	Henry Strafford	p. 25.
„ 5	Robert Cook, and others.	Primrose, of London -	160	Peter Blake -	„
„ 13	William Margetts, and others.	Increase, of London	90	Wm. Margetts -	p. 26.
„ 14	Sir John Hippisley -	Revenge, of London	150	John Greene -	p. 25.
„ „	Thomas Combe, and others	Plantation, of Southampton. Her Pinnace - -	180 70	—— Gaire Not stated	„
„ „	Henry Cuttance, and others - -	Marygold, of Weymouth Her Pinnace -	140 Not stated.	Edward Cuttance Not stated -	p. 26.
„ 28	Walter Ellis, and others.	Marygold, of Bristol	80	Not stated	„
„ „	Richard West and others.	Transport, of London -	160	Richard West	„
Sept. 1	Nicholas Opie, and Robert Trelawny.	Confidence, of Plymouth Her Pinnace - -	50 Not stated.	Lawrence Johnson. Not stated	„
„ „	Edward Peters, and others - -	Charity, of Bristol - Her Pinnace -	100 Not stated.	George Standfast Not stated	p. 27.
„ 4	Captain William Cooke, and others.	Love's Increase, of London.	60	William Cooke -	„
„ „	Robert Hull and others	Phœnix, of Bristol	200	Samuel Davis	„
„ „	Arthur Champernoone	Mary, of Dartmouth	25	Not stated -	„
„ „	William Rummo, and others.	Delight, of Falmouth	45	William Rummo	„
„ „	William Thomas, and others - -	Gift of God, of Newport Francis - - -	100 60	Peter Fantonne Not stated	„
„ „	Capt. James Duppa, and others.	Exchange, of London -	140	William Smyth -	
„ 11	Humphrey Slaney, and others.	Anne, of London -	300	Henry Lewen	„
„ 14	Francis Amadas, and others.	Patience, of Plymouth -	200	Adrian Anthony	p. 28
„ „	Humphrey Hoope, and others.	Eagle, of Bristol - -	120	Richard Tayler -	„

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Sept. 21	Robert Morring	Mary Rose, of Stonehouse.	100	Not stated -	p. 28.
„ 22	William Perkin, and others.	Doncaster, of London	200	Francis Johnson	„
„ 25	Stephen Pratt, and others - -	Nicholas, *alias* Gift of God, of Newport (to take pirates).	100	Not stated	p. 29.
		Swan - -	40		
„ 28	John Dike and others	Sommers Islands Pinnace	80	Daniel Elfrith	p. 28.
		Bark Warwick -	40	John Tanner	
„ 30	William Crosse, and others.	London Merchant	120	Robert Mills	„
Oct. 2	William Ellis, and others.	Tiger of London -	250	William Ellis	„
„ 10	Henry Mayor, and others.	Hopewell, of Weymouth	60	Henry Mayor	p. 35.
„ 16	Thomas White, and others.	Renew, of Topsham	100	Robert Babb	„
„ 17	John Hallett, and Abel Thomas - -	Swan, of Lyme Regis -	80	Abel Thomas	„
		Goose -	40	Not stated	
„ 27	Capt. Thomas Best, Robert Salmon, and others	Susan, of London	180	John Spencer -	„
„ 28	William Topsen and Company.	St. George, of Stonehouse.	150	Nathaniel Waters	„
Nov. 4	John Browne, and others.	Speedwell, of London	100	John Browne	„
„ 5	Henry Cuttance, and others	Gift of God, of Weymouth.	120	John Munck	p. 36.
		Ark - -	50	Not stated	
„ „	Sir Edward Seymour, and others.	Reformation, of Dartmouth.	200	Capt. Wycot	„
„ 12	Capt. William Guillett, and others -	Desire, of Dartmouth -	100	William Guillett	„
		The Little - - -	50	Nicholas Turthonam.	
„ „	Capt. John Sacheverell, and others.	Judith of Weymouth	80	John Sacheverell	„
„ 19	William Rowe, and others - - -	Providence, of Plymouth	100	James Randall -	„
		Primrose - - -	50	John Tebore	
„ 24	Thomas Wise and others - -	Falcon, of Bristol	100	Not stated	p. 37.
		Dove - - - -	40	Thomas Woodson	
„ 29	Robert Munday, and others.	Hopewell, of London	100	Robert Munday	p. 35.
Dec. 3	Humphrey Slaney, Nich. Crispe, and Wm. Clobery -	Scipio, of London	350	Capt. Sherwaine	p. 37.
		Anne -	60	William Tompson	
„ „	John Lynne, of Exeter, and others.	Endeavour, of Topsham	100	Not stated -	„
„ 9	Capt. Matthew Burge, and others.	Mary, of London -	30	Matthew Burge	„
„ 19	Capt. Daniel Thibaut [Theobald ?]	Pleasure of Newport -	100	James Chauntrey	„
		Her Pinnace - -	50	Not stated -	
„ 21	John White, and others.	John and Thomas, of Plymouth.	120	Robert Bennett -	„
„ 22	Walter Ellis, and others - - -	Elizabeth, of Bristol	250	Walter Ellis	p. 38.
		Willing Mind - -	30	Not stated	

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Date of Certificate.	Name of Ship.	Where built.	Tonnage.	Reference to Certificate.
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Jan. 3	Unity of Newcastle	Great Yarmouth	200	No. 134
„ 17	Anne and Joane -	Wapping	240	„ 135
„ „	Elizabeth and Dorcas of London	The same - -	260	„ 136
Feb. 11	Elizabeth - - -	Not stated -	70	„ 137
March 3	St. John Baptist, of Bristol	The like	300	„ 138
„ 5	Employment, of Ipswich	Ipswich -	400	„ 139
„ 11	Amazon, of London - -	Prize to the Jonathan.	90	„ 140
„ 29	Sea Nymph, of London -	Prize -	50	„ 141
April 1	Lion's Whelp - -	Not stated	100	„ 142
„ 17	Little Humphrey, of London	French bottom -	60	„ 143
„ 18	Richard, of Newcastle -	Not stated	180	„ 144
„ 22	Paul, of London - - -	Kings's Lynn	220	„ 145
„ „	James, of London - - -	Flemish bottom	300	„ 146
„ „	Jonas of Dysart - -	Not stated - -	180	„ 147
„ „	Trial, of London -	Flemish bottom	200	„ 148
„ „	Thomas and George, of London	Not stated - -	180	„ 149
„ 25	Defence. of London	St. Saviour's Dock	260	„ 150
„ 29	Butterfly, of Ipswich - -	Ipswich	200	„ 151
May 6	William, of London	Wapping	300	„ 152
„ 9	Hope, - } Desire, - } of Ipswich -	Not stated -	{ 280 / 240 }	„ 153
„ 16	Pilgrim, of London - -	Flemish bottom -	140	„ 154
„ 20	Paragon, of Newcastle -	Not stated -	160	„ 155
„ 23	Darling, of London - - -	Woodbridge	350	„ 156
„ 30	Susan and Ellen, of London -	Not stated -	200	„ 157
June 10	Truelove - - -	The like	260	„ 158
„ 17	Doncaster, of London	Ratcliffe -	200	„ 159
„ 20	Unnamed -	Great Yarmouth	200	„ 160
July 4	Katherine, of London -	Not stated -	60	„ 161
„ 15	Prosperous, of London -	The like	160	„ 162
„ „	John and Thomas, of Colchester -	Colchester	180	„ 163
„ „	Mary and John, of London -	Shoreham -	200	„ 164
„ 25	Unnamed - -	Wapping	300	„ 165
„ „	Ann, of London	The same	200	„ 166
„ 29	Mayflower, of Ipswich	Ipswich	170	„ 167
August 1	Jane, of London	French Prize	60	„ 168
„ 8	Mary Rose, of Plymouth	Spanish Prize	100	„ 169
„ 13	Unnamed - - -	Ipswich	200	„ 170
„ 15	Increase, of London - -	Flemish Prize	90	„ 171
„ 19	Seaport, of Ipswich - -	Ipswich -	240	„ 172
„ 26	Susan, of Aldborough -	Not stated -	200	„ 173
„ 29	Exchange, of London	The like	140	„ 174
Sept. 5	Fellowship, of London - -	Limehouse -	300	„ 175
„ 8	Centurion, of Woodbridge -	Not stated -	240	„ 176
„ „	Marygold, of Ipswich	The like - -	200	„ 177
„ 23	Hope, of London -	Flemish built	200	„ 178
„ 30	Gift of God, of Yarmouth	Great Yarmouth -	150	„ 179
October 7	Time, of Kirkaldy -	Not stated -	100	„ 180
„ 14	Unnamed - -	Shoreham -	200	„ 181
„ 22	Welcome, of Ipswich	Ipswich -	160	„ 182
„ 24	Hopewell, of London -	Prize -	110	„ 183
„ 31	Solomon, of Yarmouth -	Great Yarmouth	160	„ 184
Nov. 14	Seaventure, of Kirkaldy -	Yarmouth -	140	„ 185
„ 25	Charles, of London - -	Flemish Prize -	300	„ 186
„ „	Content, of London - -	Shoreham	300	„ 187
Dec. 12	Resolution, of Aldborough -	Woodbridge - -	300	„ 188

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Jan. 1. Portsmouth. 1. Mayor of Portsmouth to Sec. Dorchester. On conference with masters of French barks from Normandy, finds that in those parts there are no ships of war in readiness, but the master and owner of a ship of Bordeaux acknowledges that at Rochelle, and places in that neighbourhood, not less than 200 ships are preparing, but knows not what store of land soldiers are to be put aboard or how many months' victuals.

Jan. 1. 2. Estimate of the ordinary charge of the navy, being reduced to forty ships, besides two old ships moored to the barricado [at the mouth of the Thames], together with the salaries of all officers of the navy for the year 1630. Total 34,731*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.*

Jan. 2. Whitehall. 3. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a bill for a commission to Lord Treasurer Weston, the Earl Marshal, the Lord Steward, Edward Earl of Dorset, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen, Sec. Dorchester, Viscount Wimbledon, and Sec. Coke, calling to their assistance Sir Robert Killigrew, Vice-Chamberlain to the Queen, the Attorney General himself and Sir Henry Spiller, to survey the Office of Ordnance, and what provisions were in the hands of the officers in July 1620, and what were omitted in the survey then taken.

Jan. 2. 4. Petition of Thomas Romney to the Lords of the Admiralty. Petitioner's father, John Romney, having been accidentally killed on board the Adventure, petitioner being competent, as appears by certificate, prays to be appointed in his father's stead.

Jan. 2. 5. Bishop Laud of London to Sec. Dorchester. His second letter took off the malignity of the contents of the first, but not the Bishop's care to prevent the spreading of the libels. Has sent to all that he can use to inform him of them. For the second business, prays God to perfect this great mercy begun. The thanksgiving cannot be done to-morrow. There must be a prayer made. The Archbishop of Canterbury must have notice and call some other Bishops to him, and when agreed upon it must be showed his Majesty for him to approve it. With care all may be ready by Twelfth day.

Jan. 2. 6. Account of money received and disbursed by Wm. Weld for Lord President Conway, from 28th of November 1629, to 2nd January 1630. Among the payments during the five weeks are sums amounting to 100*l.* "delivered to my lady"; to Mr. Brumicham for a month's lodging, 10*s.*; more to him for harp strings, 10*s.*; the bills for the stable for five weeks amount to 41*l.* 14*s.* 11*d.*; two coats for my Lord Conway's child, 1*l.* 16*s.*; six pairs of silk stockings 8*l.* 8*s.*; the fiddlers on New Year's day, 6*s.*

Jan. 2. 7. Certificate of Hamo. Barbon that Walter Long had not yet made a second answer to the information exhibited against him in the Star Chamber.

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Jan. 2. 8. Order of the Lord Keeper, after conference with various other Lords of the Council and Lord Chief Justice Richardson, that Walter Long not having yet made an answer to the information exhibited against him, be removed to the Fleet, there to remain close prisoner, and that he put in a sufficient answer by Monday come sevennight.

Jan. 3. Whitehall. 9. Wm. Earl of Pembroke to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador to Holland. Has received two of his letters, the first very Ambassador like, without date. Knows not whether the business in the Star Chamber concerning the Lords will hold this next term. Whensoever it be, "we shall do well enough for my Lord of Bedford." Have settled a new composition with the brewers for seven years.

Jan. 3. Woolwich. 10. Capt. Phineas Pett to Nicholas. Intreats his favour to Thos. Romney, and certifies his competency to succeed his father.

Jan. 3. 11. Answers of James Bowle [Bold] of London, Stationer, to articles objected against him by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. In his absence 40 copies of the book articulate were left at his house with his maid servant by a porter, one half whereof before his coming home were sent away to some chapmen in the country. Finding the book to be scandalous, he would not suffer any more of them to be vented, but brought the residue into this court. Protests that he neither knows nor has heard who was the author or printer.

Jan. 4. 12. Henry Earl of Manchester and Oliver Earl of Bolingbroke, Lord Lieutenants of co. Huntingdon, to the Council. Return Certificate of musters in that county. *Inclose,*

12. I. *Certificate above mentioned. Valentine Wauton was Captain of one of the Companies of Foot. Totals: corslets,* 160; *muskets,* 240; *lances,* 20; *light horse,* 30.

Jan. 4? 13. Affidavit of Michael Meysey, one of his Majesty's messengers. On the 16th Oct. 1628, Wm. Taylor, servant to Mr. Wright, and John Luntlow and Henry Gregg, servants to Mr. Hunt, partner with Wright, by command of Wright, broke open one of his Majesty's locks and entered a warehouse and rolled away certain barrels of currants. Deponent arrested them all, but Taylor and Luntlow broke away: Gregg remains in custody. [*Copy*].

Jan. 4. 14. Another affidavit of the same. Details more fully the circumstances of the offence and capture of Taylor, Luntlow, and Gregg. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 4. 15. Affidavit of John Humfrey. Details the circumstances under which he assisted Meysey to effect the capture of Gregg. Desires that actions which have been brought against him in consequence may be taken off. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 4. 16. Affidavit of John Ward. Michael Meysey having arrested Henry Gregg, bargained with deponent to keep him for sixteen

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pence, day and night. Kept Gregg thirteen weeks. Desires that he may sustain no further trouble, several actions having been brought against him. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 4. The Marshalsea. 17. Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Sec. Dorchester. Sends him a deposition respecting a conspiracy in which the chief undertaker is John Allain, an Englishman and a Jesuit. Fr.

Jan. 5. London House. 18. Bishop Laud to Sec. Dorchester. Has been prevented giving an answer about the Injunctions partly by his infirmity, which will not give him leave to be busy with his books, and partly because he finds there are divers other canons and constitutions made in the Queen's time which must be taken into consideration. Concerning the two libellous writings, finds that they are not ready to come over as yet. Finds great defects for want of warrant, which he will acquaint him with. By the King's command, the Vicarage of Broad-Hempston, co. Devon, is to be granted to Nathaniel Delaune, M.A., in recompense of his father, Peter Delaune, having left a benefice of greater value to his Majesty's disposal.

Jan. 5. Plymouth. 19. Mayor of Plymouth to the same. The Masters of two barks which came from St. Malo at the end of December did not perceive any warlike preparations there, but sends examination of Arthur Ley, lately from Bilboa, who was by contrary winds put into Morbien, on the west coast of Brittany. *Inclosed,*

19. I. *Examination of Arthur Ley above mentioned. At Bilboa saw 300 chaloupes, built about a year since, and now hauled up into a creek some four miles from the town. At Morbien saw six sail of the French King's ships, all ready, save that they had not their masts but expected them daily from Holland. Heard there were other ships at other places on that coast.* 1630, *Jan. 5.*

Jan. 5. 20. Sir Henry Marten to Nicholas. Recommends Thomas Squire for Registrar of the Admiral's Court in the North, in place of Joseph Fish, deceased. The Archbishop of York has recommended Squire for Registrar of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for that province.

Jan. 5. 21. Examination of Richard Wright, of Southwark, grocer, taken by Attorney General Heath. In September, 1628, bought five tons of currants of Nicholas Leate, being in a warehouse in Dice Quay. About a month afterwards being denied his currants by Michael Meysey, he caused the same to be taken away. Did not know that the duties to the King were not paid, which concerned the merchant and not him.

Jan. 5. 22. Similar examination of Felix Hunt, partner of the above-named Richard Wright. Has brought actions against Humfrey and Ward in reference to this transaction. When the Council shall have heard the case, will submit to their pleasure. [*Written on the same sheet of paper as the preceding article.*]

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Jan. 6. 23. Petition of Wm. (*sic*) Romney, carpenter's mate in the Adventure, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Prays them as in his former petition [*See* 1630, *Jan.* 2, *No.* 4] to confer upon him his father's place. *Incloses,*

23. I. *Certificate of Capt. John Mennes, that Wm. Romney had filled his father's place during his illness, with sufficiency and care.* 1630. *Dec.* 24.

Jan. 6. Pendennis Castle. 24. Sir Wm. Killigrew to Sec. Dorchester. Understands that ships of war are preparing at Dieppe and throughout all those parts to the number of 100 sail, their rendezvous to be in the Straits. Two ships built in Holland for the French King, of the burthen of 1,000 tons apiece, are waiting a wind to go for France.

Jan. 7. 25. Sir Robert Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Does not forget the charge he received from the King concerning the business of the knights, the commission for fees, the information in the Star Chamber against the Lords, and the misdemeanours of Mr. Rolls, the merchant, in Parliament. Cannot be fully ready till Saturday. Sends his second petition concerning the ship, and prays him to speed it as a fair occasion to do the King service.

Jan. 7. Bristol. 26. Sir Thos. Button to Nicholas. Must impute it to his unhappiness that the business of the prize has continued so long unresolved. States reasons for its condemnation and begs him to solicit Dr. Rives, the King's Advocate, to give it an end some way or other. Commends his best love to Jack Pennington.

Jan. 8. Warrant to pay to Job Harby 3,500*l.* for cordage delivered into the Storehouse at Deptford, with interest at 8 per cent. for the time it shall be forborne. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 8. A like to pay to John Aston 300*l.*, his Majesty's free gift, for service wherein he hath been lately employed. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 8. Warrant to Sir John Sidley for preservation of his Majesty's game of hares, pheasants, partridge, &c., within the manor of Otford, co. Kent. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 8 The King to the Dean and Canons of Christ Church for Henry Gwyn, son of Matthew Gwyn, M.D., deceased, to be elected to the next student's place in that house. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 8. 27. Officers of the Navy to the Masters attendant and others at Chatham. To make sale of 20*l.* worth of refuse ends of ropes to repair the sail-house, storehouse, and other buildings, at Chatham, damaged in the last great storm. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 8. 28. Petition of Thos. Squire to the Lords of the Admiralty. By the death of Joseph Fish, Registrar of the Admiralty of Yorkshire, that place is become void. Prays to be appointed thereto.

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Jan. 9. Carleton, near Penrith.

29. Thomas Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. Wrote last week with a letter inclosed to the Earl of Northampton, concerning his stewardship in that county held by Sir Wilfrid Lawson, who being much above fourscore, was reported to be dangerously sick, and the packet coming to Penrith from Sir George Dalston to Lord Stanhope, postmaster, increased his opinion of the truth thereof. He is now recovered, therefore apologizes for troubling him.

Jan. 9. Littlecote.

30. Thos. Grove to Endymion Porter. Have been very merry. Porter's health has made the writer's pate many times ring noon before the bell rang to prayers. Mr. Popham has a desire to be sworn a gentleman of the privy chamber. The writer wishes Porter to receive his money with the first, and thereout to pay himself, and 20*l.* to William Leach, the writer's tailor. Lady Popham remembers her kind love.

Jan. 10. Cothelstone.

31. Sir John Stawell to Sec. Dorchester. Offers in a letter of Mr. Warre's a survey of their western purchase; he is a gentleman nearly allied to the lady and much in her favour. Conceives that she is not undervalued, and by means of her much play the estate her husband left her not increased. For her favour and person knows not what improvement time has made since he saw her, but an oath he once took to protect the beauty as well as the cause of fair ladies puts him to silence. *Incloses,*

31. I. *Richard Warre to Sir John Stawell. Incloses report of a fellow who has gone almost as far as he is able. Holds her purchased estate of inheritance to be well worth* 5,000*l. her estate in jointure* 400*l. per annum; for ready cash if she has* 10,000*l., yet she has given bond for* 5,000*l. for her children. Her plate, linen, and other household stuff cannot be less worth than* 1,000*l. to* 1,500*l. Her age is* 42 *or* 43; *her personage not to be disliked of, kind, affable, and provident, and worth the having if she have not got too much out of her son's estate, for which she may be called to an account.* 1630, *Jan.* 9. *Incloses,*

31. I. 1. *Thomas Crosse to Richard Warre. Langford Lester belongs to the heir. She has in Warwick and Leicestershire* 300*l. a-year in jointure, besides Bradford, Moore, Halswey, and Mr. Smith's land. Her personal estate cannot amount to more than* 10,000*l, unless the great profits of Mr. Hele's estate during his nonage have improved that stock. Haydon,* 1630, *Jan.* 8.

Jan. 11. Presentation of Nathaniel Delaune, M.A., to the vicarage of Broad Hempston, co. Devon. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Grant to Patrick Caffrye, of the office of child of his Majesty's leash, in the room of John Street, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

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[Jan. 11.] 32. Petition of Briant Winn, purser of the Happy Entrance, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having a great part of his estate in Ireland, prays them to appoint Abraham Robinson to be purser in his place.

Jan. 11. 33. Certificate of Sir William Russell and others of the sufficiency of Abraham Robinson for the place of purser.

Jan. 11. 34. Propositions of Sir Anthony Thomas and John Worsopp for making the bargain with the country, and Henry Briggs, professor of mathematics at Oxford, Hildebrand Prusen, citizen and salter of London, and Cornelius Drible, engineer, with the rest of the undertakers, for draining the level within cos. Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridge, Isle of Ely, Huntingdon, Northampton and Lincoln, on the south side of Gleane. These are renewed and altered propositions. The previous course of the negotiation is here set forth and an explanation given of the opposition raised against Sir Anthony Thomas, by Sir Thomas Crooke, and William Burrell. [*Printed.*]

[Jan. 12.] 35. Petition of Edward Powell to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Dolphin of Shoreham being set out with letters of marque, the captain thereof turned pirate and robbed petitioner of 600*l.* out of a small bark between Wales and Ireland. The Dolphin coming into Cowes was seized and condemned to his Majesty and Lord President Conway, the Vice Admiral. Petitioner besought the King to bestow upon him his part thereof, which request was referred to the Lords of the Admiralty. Petitioner prays for a warrant for the King's part accordingly. *Underwritten,*

35. I. *Reference from the Lords of the Admiralty to Lord President Conway to certify the value of the King's part above mentioned. Whitehall,* 1630, *January* 12.

35. II. *Lord President Conway to the Lords of the Admiralty. Reports that the King's part above mentioned amounted to* 66*l.* 5*s.* 1*d.*

35. III. *Answer of the Lords of the Admiralty to the petitioner. He is to make averment of his loss before the Judge of the Admiralty, and thereupon order may be taken for allowance of the King's part by privy seal. Whitehall,* 1630, *April* 28.

Jan. 12. Canterbury. 36. Sir Edw. Dering, Lieutenant Governor of Dover Castle to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports. Since the late misery fallen on some gentlemen there at their landing, two of them, refusing the oath of allegiance and denying to depart the kingdom, he has committed. They are George Pouncey, and John Eustace. Some torn papers brought up out of the sea are sent to Lord Suffolk; one is from Sir Thomas Edmondes to Lord Dorchester; conceives they belonged to Sir Thos. Wortley. Defective state of the leads both at the King's lodgings and at the gatehouse and church in Dover Castle.

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[Jan. 12.] 37. Narration by Kenrick Edisbury of the manner in which he had executed his commission to pay off the Convertive and the Fifth and Ninth Whelps. What repairs he had ordered for the Whelps, and what instructions he had given to Mr. Kitchen for laying up at Bristol the sails, victuals and stores of the discharged ships.

Jan. 12. Certificate of Hamo. Barbon, that Walter Long had not yet made a second answer to the information against him in the Star Chamber. [*See* 1630, *Jan.* 2, *No.* 7.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. 38. Order of Council upon a petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants of the Trinity House against Miles Croxton, who had contested their right to the ballastage of ships in the Thames. Croxton was directed to acknowledge the right of the petitioners, but was allowed to continue to sell ballast on payment to the petitioners of twenty marks per annum. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 14. Grant to Sir Geo. More of one half of 2,400*l.* to be recovered by him out of debts unduly paid to persons who had no authority to receive the same, and yet have been detained from his Majesty; the same being done in consideration of his surrender of the office of Chancellor of the Garter. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 14. Petition of the officers of the Admiralty to the King. They complain of the Judges of the Common Law for granting prohibitions to the Court of Admiralty in cases happening upon navigable rivers, pretending the same to be within the body of the counties, also in suits upon charter-parties, and respecting bargains made at sea relating to affairs of the sea. [*Copy. See Vol. of Collections relating to the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty; Domestic,* 1631, *p.* 647.]

Jan. 14. Reference of the above petition to the Judges of the King's Bench, to set down the reasons of their late granting of prohibitions in the cases complained of, and to attend the Council that his Majesty may take order therein. Whitehall, 1630, Jan. 14. [*Copy. See Ibid, p.* 649.]

Jan. 14. 39. Draft of the preceding reference in Nicholas's handwriting.

Jan. 14. Bristol. 40. Mayor of Bristol to Sec. Dorchester. His letters of the 27th December last were received on the 11th inst. Was informed by some masters of ships lately arrived from Bordeaux and thereabouts, of ten ships called Dragon's Whelps, which lie on the French coast, and also of six great ships well near ready to be launched, but for what service they are bound they cannot conceive.

Jan. 14. 41. Receipt of Wm. Caldwall for 10*l.*, Nicholas's rent of house in King Street and Axe Yard, Westminster.

[Jan. 15?] 42. Draft of a suggested Order of Council on a complaint of some Western Clothiers against falsifying the sort of cloth called Spanish, by dying white cloth in the say, that is, before the cloth is thickened in the mill.

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Jan. 15. 43. Petition of George Price to the Council. Petitioner having imported beechen clapboards, which prove not worth the freight, prays to be allowed to export them. *Underwritten,*

43. I. *Reference to Sir Allen Apsley to cause these clapboards to be surveyed, and if he thinks proper to take the same for his Majesty's service, if not to certify his opinion. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 15. *Annexed,*

43. II. *Certificate of various coopers that the clapboards had been offered to them at the price of the freight, but being beechen they refused the same. London,* 1630, *Jan.* 11.

Jan. 15. 44. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Sir Sackville Crow being contented to surrender his office of Treasurer of the Navy, and Sir William Russell being appointed to succeed him, Sir Sackville is to be allowed certain facilities to enable him to even and perfect his account. The charges bestowed on the King's houses at Deptford are to be allowed, but not those bestowed on the garden there. On finishing his account, he is to be allowed threepence in the pound on all moneys issued or allowed by him.

Jan. 15. Norwich. 45. Dr. John Hassall to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for his kindness on an interview, which having received, with the noble eunuch in the Acts he went on his way rejoicing, and the rather that he found that the true original of the late passage at Yarmouth was merely a miscarriage in some inferior instrument. His offer to further the writer's advancement was God like, for God will be good without desert. To speak in the sacred style, begs to find grace in his sight.

Jan. 15. The Downs. 46. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Council. Has received from Mr. Burlamachi their commands to waft ordnance from Lewes to Holland. Purposes to send away the Whelp to-morrow accordingly. Begs them to hasten the supply of her victuals.

Jan. 15. The Downs. 47. The same to Nicholas. This morning about three received the welcome warrant of his liberty. Hopes one day to give him some testimony of a respectful, honest gratitude, *quod jam Fata negant.* Has appointed the Whelp to convoy the two barks of Ordnance to the Low Countries. Yesterday, three leagues off Calais, the Whelp met seven sail of Dunkirkers. She gave them a broadside, whereupon they presently run her out of sight. She is so foul she is not fit for service.

Jan. 15. 48. Balthazar Gerbier to [Lord Treasurer Weston]. A sudden fever prevents his waiting on the Lord Treasurer at Roehampton. Has sent the carpenters to measure their work. Has been with the maker of the vases for flowers. If not taken they will be sent to More Park. Advises him to take four of the largest for the four corners, and the rest of the smallest size like those which the Queen has at St. James's. Le Sueur will go to Roehampton to settle a place for CAROLUS MAGNUS. An arrangement suggested for the

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garden, which would make the King's statue appear to the best advantage. The paintings for the chapel advance.

Jan. 15. 49. Answers of Michael Sparke, of London, stationer, to the articles objected against him by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. When he was in the country, 41 of the books articulate were left with his servants, and were sent to divers of his chapmen in Oxford and Salisbury, and other parts. On his return received a note to place "Christ's Confession and Complaint" foremost, whereupon, perusing the book, he found it dangerous, and, as he believes, unlicensed, and thereupon brought the residue of the same into the Registry of this Court. Does not know the author of the book, nor can tell what to believe who is the printer or author.

Jan. 16. Westminster. 50. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a pardon for Christopher Barnard, parson of Dickleborough, co. Norfolk, for the death of Wm. Carter, found chance-medley by the Coroner's inquest.

Jan. 16. 51. Petition of Isaac Montaigne, Executor of George Montaigne, late Archbishop of York, to the King. The Bishop of Lincoln has sued petitioner for dilapidations of Nettleham House, belonging to that see. The Bishop of Lincoln has palaces at Lincoln and Bugden, and Nettleham has for threescore years and more been deserted and not habitable. Prays an order for its demolition. *Underwritten,*

51. I. *Reference to the Bishops of Winchester and Lincoln, who are to certify what they think convenient. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 16.

51. II. *Report of Bishops Neile of Winchester, and Williams of Lincoln to the King. The house at Nettleham is altogether unnecessary and useless for that see. It will be more profitable to the Bishops that it be demolished.*

Jan. 16. 52. Petition of Thos. Caldwall, the King's servant, to the same. There is due to the King a rent charge of 22*l.* 10*s.* per annum, payable from the Marshal of the King's Bench, which has been detained for many years. Prays for a grant thereof for 31 years. [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

52. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer. If he shall find that the rent charge alluded to has been detained, the King is pleased to gratify his servant, the petitioner. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 16. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 16. 53. Petition of Captain Thos. Shirley to the same. Petitioner left his ensign's place under the States to serve the King in the expeditions to Rhé and Rochelle, where he was wounded, and lost all his friends in whom his hopes lay for preferment. Walter Ellis having under letters of marque taken a Portugal prize, which he has brought into Bristol, petitioner prays that as compensation for the

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loss of his service, he may have the share of the same prize which will fall to the Admiralty. *Underwritten,*

53. I. *Reference to the Lords of the Admiralty to certify the value of what is desired. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 16.

Jan. 16. From his house at Bethnal Green. 54. Balthazar Gerbier to [Lord Treasurer Weston.] Incloses form of agreement brought to him by Le Sueur, respecting the statue of the King to be executed for Roehampton. Number of flower vases which will be necessary, 30 at 5*s.* a piece, and four at 10*s.* P.S. Walter Montagu is to return immediately. The Chevalier du Jarre has heard it in a letter from Montagu himself. *Inclosed,*

54. I. *Instructions for the scrivener for an agreement between the Lord Treasurer and Hubert le Sueur, for casting a horse in brass with the figure of his Majesty. In making his model Le Sueur was to take the advice of the King's riders of great horses for the shape and action both of the horse and his Majesty's figure on the same. For the complete work Le Sueur was to be paid* 600*l. in various sums during the prosecution of the work. It was to be completed in* 18 *months.*

Jan. 16. London. 55. Archbishop Harsnet of York to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador to Holland. The other virtues of their noble, dear lord, the Earl of Bedford, appear to the King so clear and spotless, as his Highness is likely to pass over this petty aberration, but there is likely to be a public proceeding with the rest in the Star Chamber. The gallant ancient composition of our glorious state is much declined, and is like a body without blood and sinews. How the vital spirit should be restored, *hic labor, hoc opus est.* We are consumed, we do consume, and we have but one true Æsculapius (God bless him) that takes care of the common. For their gracious Josiah's sake, hopes God will relieve them. Begs him to enforce patience upon their most noble Lord Marshal. His great and noble spirit is not well weighted with the plummets of ancient magnanimity, which was ever more glorious in suffering than in doing. He must be called upon to expect, expect, and expect, and do everything rather than fall upon suddenness or abruptness. There is no medium. He must either be patient, *vel actum est :* he is undone. Thanks for the kind allowance of the use of his chamber.

Jan. 16. 56. Verdict of John Calverley and his fellows taken at a General Session of Sewers held at Boston. They have no surrounded grounds, but such as are sufficiently drained, and in convenient time made fit pasture for cattle. They are so far from deriving damage by the surrounding with waters, that in divers years they have been constrained to be at great charge in bringing in waters for the preservation of their cattle into their lowest grounds. [*Attested Copy.*]

Jan. 16. Nicholas to Abraham Dawes. My Lady Duchess of Buckingham wishes him to procure her a note of all prize ships brought into the

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port of London, or any of the outports since the war with Spain. *Copy.* [*Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 81.]

Jan. 17. Whitehall. 57. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a bill to erect an office of Clerk Remembrancer of the Court of Wards and Liveries, and to grant the same to Alexander Stafford during pleasure, with a grant of 50*l.* per annum for the execution thereof.

Jan. 18. Whitehall. Proclamation for restraint of killing and eating flesh in Lent, or on fish days appointed by law. [*Coll. Procs., Car.* I., *No.* 116.]

Jan. 18. Grant of denization for Christopher Meistner, Jeweller. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 18. The King to the Master and Senior Fellows of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, for Jasper Cholmley, M.A., to be elected into a fellowship of that house upon the resignation of Wm. Fenner. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 18. Discharge to Sir Wm. Russell of all accounts and demands during the time that he was Treasurer of the Navy. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 18. 58. Sir Allen Apsley to the Lords of the Admiralty. The clapboards and pipe staves [of George Price] are no way useful for the Navy, therefore the petitioner may transport the same if their Lordships please.

Jan. 18. Dover Castle. 59. Sir Edw. Dering to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk. The importunity of Mr. Pouncey and Mr. Eustace has prevailed with him to suffer them to come up to his Lordship. Mr. Pouncey is an English merchant of a very civil and beloved carriage, the other an Irish gentleman, and neither of any dangerous spirit.

Jan. $\frac{18}{28}$ Brussels. 60. George Eglesham, Doctor of Physic, to some one addressed as Right Reverend Father. Begs him to procure from Father Preston, "one of your order," a testimony of the writer's marriage with Elizabeth Downes, which Preston made on 13th Sept. 1617, in the Clink. The writer sought no testimony at the time, because Preston said that some noblemen were bound that he should not exercise the function of a priest, and the writer was desirous to have the marriage kept secret, fearing the King, whose physician he then was, should get notice that he was married by a priest. His wife is dead and has left one child, a daughter.

Jan. 18. 61. Estimate of arrears due on account of the Navy; total 65,567*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*, being 49,120*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* due for wages and materials remaining unpaid, for the years 1628 and 1629, and 16,446*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* surplusage on the last account of Sir William Russell, for 1626 and 1627.

Jan. 20. Grant to Sir Thos. Freke and Endymion Porter, of iron ordnance, ropes and sails, by them preserved from a Spanish ship wrecked on the coast of Dorset, in satisfaction of moneys by them disbursed for 130 Spaniards, shipwrecked. [*Docquet.*]

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Jan. 20. Warrant to pay 33,318*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* to Philip Burlamachi, in part of the surplusage of his account. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 20. Grant to Thos. Haderell of an almsroom in Clark's Hall, near Bishopsgate. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 20. A like in the same house for Sara his wife. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 20. A like in St. Stephen's, Westminster, for Henry Nailor. [*Docquet.*]

[Jan. 20 ?] 62. Petition of Henry Viscount Falkland to the King. He had a son until he lost him in the King's displeasure. Men say there is a wild young man, now prisoner in the Fleet, who bows and humbles himself under his Majesty's hand. Whether he be the petitioner's or not, he can only discern by the Royal clemency. If the King will become a second Nature to the petitioner, and restore that which the first [Nature] gave, he shall keep his reckoning of the full number of his children, else his weak old memory must forget one. [*Copy.*]

[Jan. 20 ?] 63. Another copy of the same. There are minute variations between these copies and the petition as printed in the Cabala, p. 221.

Jan. 20. 64. Petition of Francis de Lassesoire and John de la Vilette to the Council. Goods intended for petitioners at Calais, laden at St. Lucar aboard the St. Luke of Hamburgh, were captured by Captain William Bond, and carried into Dartmouth. Pray their restitution. *Underwritten,*

64. I. *Reference to Sir Henry Marten to certify his opinion. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 20. *Annexed,*

64. II. *Similar petition of Peter de Thosse to the same, with similar reference underwritten.*

64. III. *Report of Sir Henry Marten that the goods ought not to be restored without due trial in the Court of Admiralty. Doctors Commons,* 1630, *Jan.* 27.

[Jan. 20 ?] 65. Petition of Thomas Washer and William Barber of London, Soapmakers, to the Council. Petitioners having imported 45 tons of oil, the same had been stayed from being landed by the Greenland Company, and by an order of the board of the 13th inst. The petitioners hope to show just cause of their desire, and pray that the question may be referred to a committee of their Lordships.

Jan. 20. 66. Petition of the poor fishermen within the county of Essex to the Lords of the Admiralty. Time out of memory of man petitioners have had liberty of dredging for oysters in Colnewater, until of late, that the bailiffs of Colchester have taken the same from them. Pray that the bailiffs may be called before their Lordships to show their title.

Jan. 20. Mitton. 67. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Sends accounts for the last half year, and reports on the state of several of the tenants.

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"Mr. Coumbs of Stretford seems to be willing to take the lodge ground"; uncertain whether he would employ it to oad or pasture.

Jan. 20. 68. Helen Lady Wolseley to Sec. Coke. Complains bitterly of the conduct of Sir Robert Wolseley to herself and her husband, and appeals to the Sec. for protection. Sir Robert's father was ever esteemed a base son of their house, and himself known within these thirty years in Stafford town to have been glad of a good meal's meat.

Jan. 20. Cambridge. 69. Vice Chancellor and Senate of the University of Cambridge to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for his assistance in the recent vindication of their privileges.

Jan. 20. Portsmouth. 70. Capt. John Dymes to Sec. Dorchester. The winds so contrary that he cannot yet get out of England. Assured on Monday last that there was no shipping at St. Malo taken up for the King's service. Similar report from Havre de Grace. At St. Malo they are never without a fleet either going out for Spain or coming home.

Jan. 20. From his house in Cardiff. 71. Sir Thos. Button to Nicholas. His only daughter is visited with the small pox in most dangerous manner, and the rest of his children now all at home, and they are many, wherefore he will not come up for some small time unless the business of the prize, or the consideration of his future employment, or the hope of any way for satisfying his arrears requires his presence. Begs for some intimation as to the affection of the Commissioners towards him.

Jan. 20. Mitton. 72. Foulke Reed to Wm. Weld. Explains the account inclosed in his letter of this date to Lord Conway.

Jan. 20/30. 73. John Leander[?] to Mr. Robinson. Answers objections to the course taken by the congregation of Jesuits, apparently in relation to the election of the person addressed to some office in the order.

Jan. 20. 74. Observations of Kenrick Edisbury on the Estimates for the Navy for 1630, showing that they will leave the Narrow Seas without guard for three months. [*On the back are notes by Nicholas of the names of gentlemen in cos. Oxon, Wilts, and Hants, to whom letters were to be directed for them to examine witnesses named by Thomas Bond.*]

Jan. 20. 75. Interrogatories for witnesses on behalf of the Crown, concerning the sale of the Augustine of London.

Jan. 20. 76. Certificate of musters for co. Lancaster; muskets, 1,098; corslets, 461; bills, 421; pioneers, 5,254; total, 7,232 (*sic*). Lances, 23; light horses, 73; petronels, 3; total, 99.

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Jan. 22. Whitehall. 1. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a pardon for James Paynter and Wm. Blithe, for embezzling plate to the value of 25*l.*, out of the house of Christian, Countess of Devon.

Jan. 22. Grant to Edward Sydenham of the office of bailiff of the manor of Havering atte Bower, co. Essex, to commence after the death of Sir Francis Coke. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 22. 2. Abstract of the King's instructions to the Clergy [*See* 1629, *Dec.* 30] as contained in a letter from one of the Archbishops to probably one of his suffragan Bishops of this date.

Jan. 22. 3. Copy of the same.

Jan. 22. 4. The Council to the Dep. Lieuts. and others, of co. Salop. Recommend to them, for the second time, Edward Taylor, a maimed solder, for relief. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 22. 5. Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Sec. Coke. Sir Robert Wolseley is one of the subtlest and bravest men in England, and is the best acquainted with all the stratagems of the strangers. He is in the pay of the King of France. How badly the writer has been recompensed for having been willing to serve the King by arresting the Bishop of Chalcedon, and for having abandoned the service of France.

Jan. 22. 6. Petition of Theodore Gransin to Sec. Dorchester. Complains of Henry Skipwith, who in the year 1611 obtained possession of goods of the petitioner in a ship carried by pirates into Ireland, since which time the petitioner had sued in vain for the recovery of their value. Lat. *Inclosed,*

6. I. *Various copies and extracts in confirmation of the case against Skipwith.*

Jan. 22. 7. Sir Edw. Bagshaw to Endymion Porter. Solicits answer to his former letters respecting the payment of 555*l.* charged by Mr. Alcock upon Sir Matthew Decenzie. Begs his assistance in procuring a Baronetcy. Bagshaw is to receive for it only 110*l.*, which shall be at Porter's service.

Jan. 23. Warrant to pay to Colonel Alexander Ramsay 300*l.*, the King's gift in consideration of former services. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 23. 8. Report of Lord Keeper Coventry to the King, on a petition of Lord Lambert complaining of the non-performance by Lord Robartes of an agreement to give his daughter a portion on her marriage to Lord Lambert. The Lord Keeper states the facts, and that he had advised Lord Robartes to give his daughter a portion, so that she might have a competent jointure, and Lord Lambert might settle a jointure upon her, but prevailed not therein.

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1630. [Jan. 23.] 9. Statement of the agreement made for a portion between the friends of Lord Lambert and Lord Robartes, before the marriage of Lord Lambert with a daughter of Lord Robartes, and the manner in which Lord Robartes afterwards evaded the performance of his agreement.

Jan. 23. Farley Wallop. 10. Sir Henry Wallop, Sheriff of co. Hants, to the Council. Relates endeavours made by himself and his undersheriff to remove Thomas Taylor out of the Manor House of Bradley, and to give possession thereof to Sir Kenelm Digby as his Majesty's farmer thereof. The persons in possession resisted with firearms, the sheriff's party answered with ordnance, and made approaches up to the door of the house, but were ultimately obliged to retreat. Prays their advice.

[Jan. 24 ?] 11. Petition of Hannah Marsh, wife of Peter Marsh, to Sec. Dorchester. Her husband having endured above two years imprisonment in Newgate, had petitioned the King and obtained a reference to the Council. He is like to perish in gaol, and herself and children to starve, wherefore she prays him to further her husband's liberty.

[Jan. 24.] 12. Petition of Colonel Sir Edward Harwood to the Council of War. Last winter he petitioned for his arrears of the Cadiz voyage, amounting to 774*l.* They ordered that officers should be paid only during actual service abroad, and ordained him 384*l.* 16*s.* He received only 100*l.*, and since then the King has declared that men should be paid for their whole time. Prays that he may receive the benefit of the King's bounty. *Underwritten,*

12. I. *Minute of their Lordships' order confirming their former order as to amount, but praying the Lord Treasurer to take care of the petitioner's satisfaction. Whitehall,* 1630, *Feb.* 4.

Jan. 24. Whitley. 13. Sir Wm. Russell to Endymion Porter. Sends his nephew and beseeches Porter's favour for his relief. Protests thankfulness and attachment.

Jan. 25. 14. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a pardon for John Eve, of Danbury, co. Essex, with his lands and goods, forfeited by reason of the death of James Remington, of Maldon, inn keeper.

Jan. 25. Whitehall. 15. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant similar to that of the 17th inst. for a grant for the erection of an office of Clerk Remembrancer of the Court of Wards and Liveries, and granting the same to Alexander Stafford "and his deputy."

Jan. 25. 16. Petition of Thos. Boswell, John Johnson, Daniel Marett, and Wm. Fenner, fellows of Pembroke Hall, in Cambridge, to the King. On a petition of the Fellows of Pembroke Hall against Dr. Beale, the master, the King referred the same to the Archbishop of York,

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and others. They having been prevented by death, and other causes of complaint having arisen, a commisssion is prayed to the Archbishop of York, the Earl of Holland, and Sec. Coke. *Underwritten,*

16. I. *Direction that the Attorney General prepare such commission accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 25.

[Jan. 25 ?] 17. Petition of Samuel Periam, B.A. and Scholar of St. John's College, Cambridge, to the King. Prays for a mandamus for his admission to a northern fellowship in that college vacant by the death of Thomas Buckley. *Annexed,*

17. I. *Certificate of Owen Gwyn and others, Master and Fellows of St. John's College, Cambridge, of the good conduct of Samuel Periam during his six years residence in the University. St. John's College,* 1630, *Jan.* 25.

Jan. 25. Cornwall. 18. H. Elsynge to ————. The extreme bad weather keeping Elsynge in the country he has sent his servant Throckmorton to inquire after his health. Solicits him to write or speak to Dr. Duppa, dean of Christchurch, on behalf of the writer's son Robert, a scholar at Westminster, desirous to proceed to that college.

Jan. 26. Whitehall. 19. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare warrant for sale to James Maxwell of two jewels or great square table diamonds, and other jewels, pledged with him as security for 11,346*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*, but valued at 12,554*l.*, he paying the difference of value into the Exchequer.

Jan. 26. Warrant for allowing to James Earl of Carlisle, three parts in four of all fines to be raised upon his Majesty's Commission of Grace now intended to be renewed, until he be satisfied 42,000*l.* owing to him by his Majesty. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 26. Grant to Sir Sackville Crow of threepence in the pound on all payments by him as Treasurer of the Navy, in recompense of his extraordinary pains and charges in that office. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 26. Warrant to allow to Sir Sackville Crow, all such groats and sums of money as remain in his hands for ministers' wages, whereunto no particular minister can pretend title. [*Docquet.*]

Jan 26. 20. Petition of Percy Church to the king. Has discovered that certain houses in Turnmill Street, in St. James's, Clerkenwell, purchased by Thomas Gray, have escheated to the Crown. Prays for a grant of the same at the yearly rent of 40*s.* [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

20. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer, and, if he think fit, he is to grant a warrant to the Attorney General for drawing up a bill. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 26. [*Copy.*]

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20. II. *Opinion of the Attorney General that the case stated is not that of a concealment, but, if proved, it is an escheat.* [*Copy.*]

20. III. *Lord Treasurer to the Attorney General. To prepare a grant of the premises to the petitioner.* 1630, *May* 25.

[Jan. 26.] 21. Note of the account between the king and James Maxwell, as to jewels pawned and ultimately sold. The balance due to his Majesty, was 1,056*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*

Jan. 27. Pardon for Christopher Barnard, parson of Dickleborough co., Norfolk, for the death of Wm. Carter. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 27. Warrant to pay to Sir Wm. Russell, treasurer of the Navy, 49,120*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* towards clearing arrearages incident to the late expedition to Rochelle, as also 16,446*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* a surplusage on his account, for 1626 and 1627. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 27. Pardon to James Paynter and Wm. Blithe, for stealing plate from the Countess of Devon. [*Docquet*].

Jan. 27. Warrant to pay to Alice Bearden 100*l.* for certain cut-works furnished the Queen for her own wearing. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 27. Whitehall. 22. The King to Attorney General Heath, to prepare a commission to the Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, Lord President Conway, Henry Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, Robert Earl of Lindsey, Lord Great Chamberlain, the Earl Marshal, the Lord Steward and Lord Chamberlain of the Household, the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, Edward Earl of Dorset, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen, the Earls of Salisbury and Exeter, William Earl of Northampton, President of the Council of Wales, Sec. Dorchester, Edward Viscount Wimbledon, Thomas Viscount Wentworth, President of the Council of the North, Sir Humphrey May, Vice-chamberlain, Sec. Coke, and Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to treat with all the King's subjects who will compound for their fines in respect of their knighthood at the King's coronation, and to tax such fines, and appoint days of payment.

Jan. 27. 23. Petition of Richard Daye, son of Wm. Daye, sometime bishop of Winchester to the King. For a reference to a select number of the Council, and Council at Law, with Mr. Noy, to consider a scheme for buying up impropriations, principally by means of a collection throughout England. [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

23. I. *Reference to the Archbishop of York, the Lords Keeper, Treasurer, President, and Steward, the Earls of Dorset, and Holland, Sec. Dorchester, the Bishops of London and Winchester, Lord Newburgh, the Master of the Wards, the Vice Chamberlain, and Sec. Coke. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 27.

Jan. 27. 24. Copy of the same.

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Jan. 27. 25. Petition of Sir Kenelm Digby, the King's servant, to the King. By the death of John Calvely of Sawton, co. Chester, without heir, there may be lands escheated to the Crown. Prays for a grant thereof. *Underwritten,*

25. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 27.

Jan. 27. 26. Petition of Paul Micklethwaite, D.D., Master of the Temple, and one of the King's chaplains, to the King. The king referred the differences between petitioner and the Temple to the Bishops of London and Winchester, and the two Lord Chief Justices, to whom were afterwards added the Lords Keeper, Treasurer, and Privy Seal, and the Earl of Dorset. Prays that the Archbishop of York may be added to the referees, and a day appointed for their meeting. *Underwritten,*

26. I. *Answer of the King complying with the request of the petitioner as to the Archbishop of York, and directing the referees to appoint a day for meeting before the end of the term. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 27.

Jan. 27. Norwich. 27. Mayor and others of Norwich to the Council. The combers and yarnmen of cos. Suffolk, Essex, and Cambridge, having complained of great quantities of yarn seized in Norwich, for want of accustomed lengths and number of threads, they certify that since June 1617, there have been seized no more than 137 gross, and 40 reelstaves, worth at 12*s.* the gross, 82*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*

Jan. 27. 28. List of causes specially appointed to be heard in the Star Chamber; they are Wm. Phipps, clerk, against Lady Elizabeth Lawrence, widow, and others; the Attorney General against Edward Vaughan and others; Sir Wm. Herbert, now Lord Powys, against Edward Vaughan and others; Attorney General against Henry Hoskins and 87 others, for riotous destruction of inclosures in Gillingham forest.

Jan. 28. Westminster. 29. Commission to Archbishop Harsnet of York, Henry Earl of Holland, Chancellor of the University of Cambridge, and Sec. Coke, to inquire into the complaints against Jerome Beale, D.D., Master of Pembroke Hall, respecting the præ-election of fellows against the statutes, and other proceedings prejudicial to the College, and divers fellows thereof. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 28. 30. Another copy of the same.

Jan. 28. 31. Another copy.

Jan. 28. Westminster. 32. Commission to the Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, Lord President, Keeper of the Privy Seal, the Great Chamberlain of England, the Earl Marshal, the Lords Steward and Chamberlain of the Household, the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, the Earls of Dorset, Salisbury, Exeter and Northampton, Sec. Dorchester, and Viscounts

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Wimbledon and Wentworth, to compound with persons who, being possessed of 40*l.* per annum in lands or rents, had not taken upon them the order of knighthood. [*The seal removed.*]

Jan. 28. Fort near Plymouth.

33. Sir James Bagg to Nicholas. Wrote to Mr. Wyan on Tuesday, to entitle his Majesty to a Biscayner, which having put into Dartmouth had been taken possession of by Mr. White of Weymouth. By the inclosed he will see how White behaves himself. *Inclosed,*

33. I. *Abraham Biggs to Sir James Bagg. Capt. White refuses to attend to warrants of Bagg or of the Mayor of Weymouth. Intends to arrest him and his ship that day.*

Jan. 28. Cambridge.

34. Capt. Wm. Hemming to the same. It is informed them there very credibly that fifty sail of ships are making ready. Begs that by Nicholas's help he may be appointed for one of them.

Jan. 28. Exeter.

35. Bishop Hall of Exeter to Mr. Meautys. Recommends to him the case of Mr. Street, who had paid fourteen score pound and upward above the principal to a cruel oppressor, whose son [Mr. Underhill?] now stands out in denial of just satisfaction.

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36. Kenrick Edisbury's note of the names of all his Majesty's ships in the Estimate for 1630.

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37. List of his Majesty's ships not contained in the Estimate of the Ordinary for 1630.

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38. Petition of Nicholas Polhill and Company, owners of the Margaret of Weymouth, to the Council. The Passe-par-tout being taken by Capt. Salter of Weymouth, and brought in thither, had been ordered by the Council to be restored. Forasmuch as they were therein misinformed, prays that they will refer the cause to the Judge of the Admiralty. *Underwritten,*

38. I. *Reference to the Lords of the Admiralty. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 29.

Jan 29. Aboard the Ninth Whelp.

39. Thos. Morgan to Nicholas. When the remains of victuals of the Convertive and Fifth Whelp were surveyed, 349 four-pound pieces of beef were found stinking. Begs for a supply in lieu of this defective beef.

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40. Lord Treasurer Weston to Sir Robert Pye. Assignation of the Navy for the year 1630. The amount to be paid was 34,730*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.*, which was to be received out of certain indicated sources of income.

Jan. 29. / Feb. 8. Strasburg.

41. B[asil] Lord Fielding to James Earl of Carlisle. Protestation of affection to the Earl. Is now entering on his journey into Italy, where he should once have waited on his Lordship if he had been in his own disposing, and thinks it a great cross to his fortunes that he had not a second advantage of living under the Earl's eye and example, which at Paris, seduced with the vanities and

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levities of his youth, he could not so well imitate as admire. The Earl had truly remarked of him that he naturally wanted the diligence which abounded in his uncle.

Jan. 30. Warrant to pay to John Beaple, to the use of Sir Paul Pindar, Sir John Wolstenholme, Charles Cockaine, and John Jacob, such money for interest at 8*l.* per cent. on sums advanced by them to the Exchequer, as under a former warrant should have been paid to John Harrison. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 30. Warrant to Sir Wm. Pelham for preservation of game at Brocklesby, co. Lincoln, and within ten miles compass thereof. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 30. Grant of the office of Receiver General of the Revenues of his Majesty when Prince of Wales to David Cunningham, in the place of Sir Adam Newton. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 30. Warrant to pay to Thos. Crompton 5,000*l.*, in consideration of some service of importance and secrecy wherein he has been lately employed by his Majesty. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 30. 42. Petition of Susan Holland to the King. Sir Thos. Whorwood, one of the King's pensioners, has slandered petitioner to be of incontinent life, and has taken from her a bond of 60*l.*, detained from her divers goods and her wearing apparel, procured her to be arrested and kept in prison for four months, and now threatens to lay her up again in prison. Prays for a reference to some of the Council. *Underwritten,*

42. I. *Reference to Sec. Coke to send for the parties and persuade a quiet end between them, or if he find a hard hand carried tending to oppression to make certificate thereof. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 30.

Jan. 30. 43. Petition of the inhabitants of Whitby, co. York, to the same. Whitby is an ancient borough and haven, commodious for navigation and fishing. Of late, for want of a settled government, the same is very much decayed. Pray for incorporation, according to the schedule annexed. *Annexed,*

43. I. *Schedule of privileges desired. Underwritten,*

43. II. *Reference to the Lord Keeper calling to him the Attorney General. Whitehall,* 1630, *Jan.* 30.

Jan. 30. 44. Petition of Christopher Bainbridge and others, together with the Armourers and Gunmakers of London, to the same. Refer to their petition, Vol. xc., No. 117, for a patent for dressing, stamping, and repairing the common arms of the kingdom, and what had been done thereon, and pray an order to the Attorney General for execution of that service. *Underwritten,*

44. I. *Reference to any four, five, or more of the Council of War, to proceed to a final resolution according to the reference of* 15 *March* 1628.

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Jan. 30. Norwich. 45. Mayor and others of Norwich to the Council. In 1620 there was given by the citizens of Norwich to the King and Queen of Bohemia, and paid to their ambassador, 326*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* Since then there was collected by Francis Cock for the benevolence for recovery of the Palatinate 566*l.*, of which 166*l.* long remained in his hands, but was ultimately paid over to the Corporation of Norwich. It was by them disbursed towards payment of several sums amounting to 441*l.* 5*s.*, expended since the year 1624 in setting forth soldiers.

Jan. 30. 46. Petition of merchants, owners, and mariners of King's Lynn, Boston, Wells, Burnham and other creeks within that bay, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Pray for the loan of one of the Whelps, to be victualled and manned at the charge of petitioners, for the protection of their shipping, of which one half has been taken within three years.

Jan. 30. Tower of London. 47. Richard Nash to Sec. Coke, addressed as Sir Edward Coke. Two workmen in the Armoury are likely to be dismissed without cause by Sir Thomas Jay, and two to be brought in, one of whom has been three times dismissed the office, and the other is incompetent as a workman.

Jan. 30. Horsley. 48. Thos. Earl of Arundel and Surrey to Francis Windebank. Thanks for his care of poor Lady Sandys. Has been twice forced back by foul weather, in endeavours to go to the Vine. Shall be glad to see her at Arundel House.

Jan. 31. Lease to Thos. Cary, one of the grooms of the bedchamber, of lands, in Dover and other places, co. Kent, of the value of 28*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* per annum, being parcel of a value of 80*l.* per annum, granted for 41 years, in reversion, of lands co. Lancaster. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. Grant of denization for Lodowick Rouzee, Dr. of Physic. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. Grant to Horatio Gentileschi of an annuity of 100*l.* during his life. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. Warrant to pay to Horatio Gentileschi 300*l.* due at Christmas last for three years' allowance of the anuuity above mentioned, which he is to receive from his first coming into this kingdom in the year 1626. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. Release to James Maxwell for the jewels delivered to him on payment of 1,056*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* into the exchequer. [*Docquet.*]

[Jan. 31 ?] 49. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. Complains of Lord Newport in cutting down the wood on Frierhill, notwithstanding an offer of payment by the Countess at a price to be fixed by Sir Nathaniel Rich.

[Jan. ?] 50. Report of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to the King. The Bishop of St. Davids says that he has come to London

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to attend to certain business in the law, and to obtain medical advice. Recommend that leave be given him to remain until the middle of March.

[Jan.] Whitehall. 51. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a new Commission of Inquiry into Exacted Fees, to be addressed to the Lords President and Privy Seal, Earl Marshal, and Lord Steward, the Earls of Dorset and Bridgewater, Edward Viscount Wimbledon, Oliver Viscount Grandison, Sec. Coke, Sir Robert Killigrew, Vice-chamberlain to the Queen, Sir Robert Cotton, Sir Hugh Middleton, Sir Henry Spelman, Sir Thos. Middleton, Sir John Bingley, Sir Wm. Slingsby, Sir Henry Spiller, Sir Thomas Canon, Edward Ayscough, Thomas Brett, Nicholas Pay, and Thomas Bridgeman.

[Jan.] 52. Justices of the Peace [for co. Devon] to the Council. Explain their dealings in reference to a pension to John Hill, a maimed soldier. His complaint against Charles Vaughan, Clerk of the Peace, is very false.

[Jan. ?] 53. Petition of Thomas Taylor and Elizabeth, his wife, and their sixteen children, to the same. State the circumstances of the dispute between petitioners and Sir Kenelm Digby. The matters are triable at the next Assizes at Winchester. Sir Henry Wallop, the Sheriff, is a professed enemy to the petitioners in respect of suits in the Star Chamber between Thomas Taylor and Sir Henry, for abetting the first notorious riot committed by Sir John Savage, the author of all this mischief. The lands, lives, and goods of the petitioners, and all they have are now at stake. Sir Kenelm Digby and Sir Henry Wallop having exhibited informations to this board to make petitioners odious to the State and Civil Government, they pray that Mr. Noy, Mr. Mason, and Mr. Lenthall may be assigned them for Counsel.

[Jan. ?] 54. Petition of Thomas Taylor to the same. His distressed case is not truly understood. Heavy calamities are coming upon him, stripped out of his estate by the oppression of Sir Kenelm Digby, Sir Henry Wallop, and the mischief-beginner, Sir John Savage. Prays that he may not be condemned unheard.

Jan. 55. Note of ordnance and other provisions wanting for Landguard Fort.

Jan. 56. Notes in the handwriting of Sec. Coke of various answers to petitions to the Lords of the Admiralty. Among the petitioners are the Saltpetremen; Jacob Johnson, the diver; Nicholas Brant; Thomas Barton; John Moore; George Rookes and Francis Blizard; Cuthbert Farlow and Elizabeth Harper; Andrew Baxter; George Newsam; Capt. Hagthorpe; Stephen Rout; and the Bailiffs of Yarmouth.

Jan. 57. Brief for Thomas and Thomasine Vaughan, "children and grandchildren" of Catherine Paine, *alias* Marsh, *alias* Vaughan,

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deceased, against Abraham Colmer, Andrew Pollexfen, and Nicholas Sherwill, concerning the pretended will of Thos. Paine, of Plymouth.

Jan. 58. Note of a cause of Kitchin and Hankinson respecting the right to a pew or seat in the chapel of Totteridge, co. Herts.

Jan. 59. Brief on the part of Thomas Pope against Dr. Bradish, respecting the tithes of Athelhampton, in the parish of Piddletown, co. Dorset.

Jan. 60. Brief in the same cause on the part of Dr. Bradish.

[Jan. ?] 61. Notes of previous orders and other proceedings respecting the importation of oil, made in connexion with the petition of Washer and Barber of the 20th inst. *See Vol.* clviii. *No.* 65.

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[Feb. 1 ?] 1. Petition of Nicholas Walker to Queen Henrietta Maria. In the time of Mary, Queen of Scots, was by her sent over to France. About August last was apprehended on suspicion of being a Catholic priest, and committed to the loathsome dungeon of Derby, being of the age of 100 years or near thereabouts. Prays her to obtain from the King that he may be enlarged on bail, or may be confined to the house of John Brillessord, or John Grace, of Duffeild, co. Derby, both Protestants. *Annexed,*

1. I. *Certificate of Mary Reresby, widow of Sir John Reresby, Robert Mason, John Mason, and others, that Nicholas Walker is of the age of* 100 *years or thereabouts.* 1630, *Feb.* 1.

Feb. 1. 2. Lord President Conway to Lord Chief Justice Hyde, on behalf of Dorothy Grove, wife of Humphrey Grove, prosecuted by Mrs. Haynes. [*Draft.*]

Feb. 1. 3. Archbishop Harsnet, of York, Henry Earl of Holland, and Sec. Coke, to Jerome Beale, D.D., Master of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge. To appear before them at Whitehall, in the Earl of Holland's lodgings, on 10th February inst., to answer things objected against him by the Fellows. [*Attested Copy.*]

[Feb. 1 ?] 4. John Nicholas to his father Edw. Nicholas. Being by his fatherly goodness brought to Oxford, for the bettering of himself in learning, shall not be wanting in his duty.

Feb. 1. 5. Stephen Alcock to Nicholas. Recommends Peter Ray for purser of the Tenth Whelp.

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Feb. 1. Glemham. 6. Sir Henry Glemham and Sir John Wentworth to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk. On behalf of one Burrough, an under constable of Beccles, who is troubled by William Steedman for having billeted soldiers upon him.

Feb. 3. Warrant to pay to Sir Wm. Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, 25,266*l.* 18*s.* 11*d.*, and to Sir Allen Apsley, Surveyor of Marine Victuals, 9,464*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, for the ordinary charge of the Navy for the year 1630. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 3. Grant to Wm. Herick and Thos. Hales, at the nomination of Dorothy and Anne, the two daughters of Edmund Neville and Jane his wife, of two pensions of 100*l.* during the lives of Anne and Dorothy, parcel of a pension of 600*l.* to the said Jane. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 3. Warrant for allowing to John Dalbier 1,371*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.*, on his account for the levying of 1,000 horse in the Low Countries. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 3. Grant of an Almsroom in St. Stephen's, Westminster, to Christopher Proother, dated 2 Feb. 1630. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 3. 7. Petition of Wm. Gamull, alderman of Chester, to the Council. Having been ordered to attend to answer a complaint of William Edwards and others, prays that some day this week may be fixed for a hearing. *Underwritten,*

7. I. *Order of Lord President Conway for both parties to attend on Friday next.* 1630. *Feb.* 3.

Feb. 4. Warrant to pay to John Lehon, engineer, 200*l.*, in full discharge of all pretensions on account of his service. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 4. The like to pay to Wm. Jacobs of Delft 100*l.*, for pictures sent to his Majesty. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 4. 8. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a commission to the Lord Treasurer, in a form prescribed, for sale of certain jewels of his Majesty, pledged by Sir Sackville Crow, by order of the late Duke of Buckingham, with Stephen le Gouge, or Gouch, and Henry Coggan, goldsmiths.

Feb. 4. 9. Certificate of Sir Thomas Brooke, William Turnour, and others, to the King, of the advantages which would ensue from the incorporation of Whitby.

Feb. 4. 10. Deputy Lieuts. of Kent to Philip Earl of Montgomery, Lord Lieutenant. In the time of Lord Wotton, about sixteen years ago, it was agreed that every Captain should endeavour to raise 4*d.* for every musket and 6*d.* for every pike. The twopence extra was for the drums and the Clerk of the Bands, the rest for the Muster Master, with 12*d.* for every horse. Thus about 100 marks a year has been raised for the Muster Master.

Feb. 4. Sarum. 11. Deputy Lieutenants of co. Wilts to William Earl of Pembroke, Lord Lieutenant. The Muster Master is resident in the

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county, and employs his pains in teaching the soldiers their postures and right use of their arms. His entertainment is 6*d.* for every foot armour, 12*d.* for every light horse, and 2*s.* for every lance, which amounts to 74*l.* 16*s.* [*Copy. Underwritten by the Earl of Pembroke.*]

Feb. 5. Whitehall. 12. The King to Attorney General Heath. The late King granted to Sir Henry Compton the office of Custos Brevium in the Common Pleas, after the death of Thomas Spencer and Richard Spencer, and also granted the same office to John Spencer, son of said Richard Spencer, after the death of Sir Henry Compton. He is to prepare a grant of the same office to Miles Corbet and Amyas Bamfield, during the life of Charles Rich, second son of the Earl of Holland, and to commence on the determination of the estates of Sir Henry Compton and John Spencer. [*Unsigned.*]

Feb. 5. 13. Sir Wm. Tresham and Richard Oliver to Sec. Dorchester. Lord Brudenell, in February 1628, agreed to give 6,000*l.* to be made an English Baron. 5,000*l.* was paid in the same February and March, and the other 1,000*l.* was to be paid in May 1629. The treaty passed between the late Duke of Buckingham and Lord Brudenell.

Feb. 6. 14. Case and complaint of the Fellows of Pembroke Hall in Cambridge, against Dr. Beale the Master thereof, concerning a præelection on Nov. 8, 1624, contrary to the statutes, with Dr. Beale's answer, and the replies of the Fellows.

Feb. 6. 15. Copy of the same.

Feb. 6. 16. Copy of the case above mentioned, without the answer, and the replies to the same.

Feb. 6. 17. Another copy of the same.

Feb. 6. 18. Second complaint of the Fellows of Pembroke Hall against Dr. Beale; being a statement of the grievances which have arisen from the præelection mentioned in the first complaint.

Feb. 6. 19. Draft of the above, with a variety of alterations in the handwriting of William Boswell, and marginal notes respecting the proof thereof.

Feb. 6. 20. Previous draft or abstract of the above second complaint.

Feb. 6. 21. Copy of the same.

Feb. 6. 22. Another copy.

Feb. 6. 23. Third complaint of Fellows of Pembroke Hall against Dr. Beale, being on account of his neglect of the College estate and breach of statutes respecting it.

Feb. 6. 24. Draft of the same with alterations by William Boswell, and marginal notes respecting the proof thereof.

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Feb. 6. 25. Another draft of the same articles in a previous shape.

Feb. 6. 26. Another similar draft, and with additional memoranda at the end.

Feb. 6. 27. Fair copy before the alterations were made.

Feb. 6. 28. Extract or brief of this complaint with names of the witnesses, to prove each separate article.

Feb. 6. 29. Fourth complaint of Fellows of Pembroke Hall against Dr. Beale, for wrongs done to particular Fellows.

Feb. 6. 30. Draft of the same altered and annotated by Boswell, as in the instance of the second and third complaints above mentioned.

Feb. 6. 31. Fair copy of this complaint in a previous state.

Feb. 6. 32. Another copy of the same with various alterations.

Feb. 6. 33. Another similar copy of the same.

Feb. 6. 34. Extract or brief of this complaint with the names of the witnesses.

Feb. 6. 35. Fifth complaint of Fellows of Pembroke Hall against Dr. Beale, on account of his neglect of College government and discipline.

Feb. 6. 36. Draft of the same with Boswell's alterations and memoranda.

Feb. 6. 37. Copy of the same as originally drawn, with alterations.

Feb. 6. 38. Another copy with other notes.

Feb. 6. 39. Another similar copy.

Feb. 6. 40. Extract or brief of this complaint with the names of the witnesses.

Feb. 6. 41. Case and particular complaint of Mr. Boswell against Dr. Beale.

Feb. 6. 42. Copy of the above in a previous state, and before alterations made.

Feb. 6. 43. A similar copy.

Feb. 6. 44. Another similar copy.

Feb. 6. Littlecote. 45. Margaret Winkeworth to Mrs. Wright at Lord President Conway's, in St. Martin's Lane. Sends account of wages due to her for nursing a child, and also of clothes wanted for the child, "if it please my Lord." She subscribes herself Lord Conway's servant, at his command.

Feb. 7. 46. Distribution among the servants of Archbishop Abbot of 4*l.*, given by Dr. Bowle, Bishop of Rochester, at his consecration in Lambeth Chapel.

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Feb. 8. Grant to Robert Owen, yeoman of the chamber, of power to hold a Court-leet and View of Frank-pledge, within the town of Ecton, co. Northampton. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 8. Grant to Wm. Painter of an almsroom in Christ Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 8. 47. Petition of Wm. Gamull, of Chester, to Lord President Conway. More weighty affairs having taken up Friday, petitioner prays for a peremptory appointment. *Underwritten,*

47. I. *Direction by the Lord President for petitioner to attend on Wednesday, when the Lord President will move the Lords to appoint a certain day.* 1630, *Feb.* 8.

Feb. 8. 48. William Drake's inventory of Tenths of the St. Augustine prize, brought into Bristol by Capt. Peter White.

Feb. 9. Whitehall. 49. The King to Attorney General Heath, to prepare a pardon for Robert Payne, of St. John Street, co. Middlesex, for the killing of Jeremy Crawley.

Feb. 9. 50. John Fincham to Sec. Coke. Explains his great liabilities and losses in consequence of his two years imprisonment in the Bastille, and solicits payment of the arrears of his allowance, and some employment in the pending works of drainage. If he thought "his Majesty did earnestly desire the [arrest of the?] Bishop of Chalcedon," he could work it in short time assuredly.

Feb. 9. 51. Examinations of several persons concerning the cause of the death of Edmund Harrow, an Irishman, found drowned in a ditch in Stourton [Strutton] ground, with the underwritten opinion of John Green, coroner.

Feb. 10. 52. Petition of the bailiffs and burgesses of Huntingdon to the King. Pray for a new incorporation by Mayor and Aldermen, with various enlargements of their privileges. *Annexed,*

52. I. *Schedule of particulars desired to be changed in their new charter, with the opinion of the Earl of Manchester thereon underwritten.* 1630, *Feb.* 9. *Underwritten,*

52. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare new charter accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *Feb.* 10.

Feb. 10. 53. Sir Henry Wallop, Sheriff of Hants, to the Council. Renders a further account of proceedings in reference to the forcible holding of the manor house of Bradley. Possession had been delivered to the use of Sir Kenelm Digby.

Feb. 10. Nicholas to [Dennis] Fleming. The Lords of the Admiralty desire a relation in what state of forwardness the ships are, which they ordered to be fitted on the estimate of the ordinary. He is also to hasten the Tenth Whelp, so as she may be in the Downs by Tuesday next. Nicholas writes to him because he knows he has his care and eye on his Majesty's service. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter*

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Book, p. 81. *It also appears at p.* 82, *that letters of the like purport were sent on the same day to Sir John Heydon and Stephen Alcock.*]

Feb. 10. 54. Certificate of Wm. Pitcher, gunner, of the Seven Stars, that he prays leave of the Lords of the Admiralty to assign his place to Samuel Vincent.

Feb. 10. 55. Petition of Thomas Boswell, John Johnson, Daniel Marett and William Fenner, Fellows of Pembroke Hall, to Archbishop Harsnet, the Earl of Holland and Sec. Coke. State the general heads of their charge against Dr. Beale and pray them to consider whether in his office *sese bene gesserit* or no.

Feb. 10. 56. Copy of the same.

Feb. 10. 57. Draft of the same.

Feb. 10? 58. Statement of all the various complaints against Dr. Beale, with his answers to the same.

Feb. 10? 59. Extracts of the most material objections against Dr. Beale, with his answers.

Feb. 10? 60. Overtures of redress concerning some particulars in the complaints against Dr. Beale.

Feb. 10? 61. Opinion probably of a Dr. of Civil Law (the name is struck through) that the præelections in question at Pembroke Hall were void.

Feb. 10? 62. Oath of the Keeper or Master of Pembroke Hall, extracted from the Statutes.

Feb. 10? 63. List of the Fellows of Pembroke Hall, with a statement of the way in which they had voted on the præelections complained of.

Feb. 11. Grant to Dr. Mason, one of his Majesty's chaplains, of the Deanery of Sarum, void by the promotion of Dr. Bowle to the Bishopric of Rochester. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 11. Commission to the Mayors and other Officers of Bristol, Beaumaris, Chester, Liverpool, and Workington, to administer the Oath of Allegiance, and give licence, to persons who desire to pass beyond seas, causing their names to be entered in a book. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 11. Grant to Patrick Crafford and Matthew Birkenhead, of the office of Clerks for writing licences to persons going beyond seas from Bristol, Beaumaris, Chester, Liverpool, and Workington. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 11. Warrant to pay to Susan Countess of Denbigh, first Lady of the Bedchamber to the Queen, 2000*l.* for extraordinary provision of linen for the Queen's lying-in. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 11. Warrant to Laurence Whittacre [Whitaker], appointed to receive monies arising upon compositions for lands passed from the Crown at undervalues, to pay three parts thereof unto the Earl of Suffolk, who is to prosecute this service, and to bring the fourth part into the Exchequer. [*Docquet.*]

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Feb. 11 ? 64. Lord President Conway to Lord Chief Justice Hyde and the other Justices of the King's Bench. Recommends to them the case of Mr. Jubie, minister of Theydon Mount, in Essex, of which Manor Lord Conway's son-in-law, Sir William Smith, is the Lord. Has ever observed that it is an art of the devil to bring the person of the minister into scandal, that his doctrine might fall into contempt. [*Draft.*]

Feb. 11. St. Martin's Lane. 65. The same to the same. Thanks for their favour shown upon the preceding letter. Suggests a reference of the cause to some of the neighbouring Justices. The Earl of Norwich is a neighbour of these parties. [*Draft.*]

Feb. 11. Much Leighs. 66. Jeffrey Watts to Dr. Duck. Received letter from Mr. Michelson requesting the writer, in the name of their diocesan, to preach in Chelmsford Church, for re-establishing the Lecture there. Has refused to do so. He and others are very willing to hold up that Lecture, but thus to be thrust upon the people, without any desires on their part, they are unwilling, as foreseeing the disrespect which will follow, and the small success of their preaching to a people nothing desiring it. So they found it in former times, and must much more expect it, when they succeed their much-affected single lecturer.

Feb. 12. Commission to Sir John Brooke and others to compound for lands granted from the Crown since 45 Eliz. at undervalues, the monies arising thereupon to be received by Lawrence Whittacre [Whitaker] and paid into the Exchequer. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 12. Pardon to John Eve for killing James Remington in Essex, being found manslaughter, and is not only for life but also for lands and goods. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 12. Warrant to discharge Cecily Lady De La Warr of 278*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* arrears of rent for the site of the monastery of Whoewell [Wherwell], co. Hants. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 12. Pardon for Robt. Payne for killing Jeremy Crawley, by coroner's inquest, found manslaughter. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 12. Whitehall. 67. Order of Council. The merchants of the Eastland Company having complained of interlopers who exported home commodities and imported Eastland commodities contrary to the privileges of the Company and the proclamation in that behalf, it is referred to Sec. Dorchester, Mr. Vice Chamberlain, and Sec. Coke, to advise a fit course for settling the same. [*Copy.*]

Feb. 12. Bristol. 68. Bishop Wright of Bristol to Archbishop Harsnet and Bishop Laud. Sends various questions upon the King's Instructions to the Clergy. What is the meaning of the direction where lectures are in the evening? Shall the lecturers read even-song solemnly? If a lecturer be paid by the chamber of the city, can he be termed a lecturer maintained by a corporation. As for ordinations, he

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has not wanted anything for their solemnity, but the dean and chapter, or some of them, to assist him in the imposition of hands. Has been fain to use singing men, and such as should not approach so high, of very necessity.

Feb. 12. 69. Fiat of Sir Edward Powell for issuing a writ directed to Adam Trevor, John ap Thomas Lloyd, Robert Greanowes, and Thomas Garbett, to appear before the Council to answer Thomas Tomkins.

[Feb. 13 ?] 70. Petition of Sir Kenelm Digby to the Council. Sets forth the resistance made to the Sheriff of Hants in taking possession of the Manor of Bradley, by Thomas Taylor, who claimed an interest therein, and a tumultuous body of sailors, under the command of a captain, who defended the house in warlike manner for six or seven hours, and killed one of the Sheriff's men with "a poisoned bullet." Prays warrants for apprehending Taylor and the rest.

[Feb. 13.] 71. Capt. John Duffell to the Lords of the Admiralty. Explains the necessity for the employment of a small ship in the rivers Medway and Thames.

Feb. 13. 72. Petition of Paul Mercer to the same. In time of peace was interested with some merchants beyond seas in the St. Claude of Calais, which being captured was declared prize, but one-sixteenth part thereof adjudged to petitioner. Prays that he may receive the amount due to him.

[Feb. 13.] 73. Petition of Thos. Waldo, purser of the Tenth Whelp, to the same. Prays them to appoint Peter Ray to be purser in his place.

Feb. 13. Whitehall. 74. Sec. Dorchester to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a pardon for David Elder for the death of John Rayner, his Majesty being informed that it was Anthony Patten who killed Rayner.

Feb. 13. 75. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. In favour of Peter Ray for purser of the Tenth Whelp, and Austin Bright as Master of the Second Whelp.

Feb. 13. 76. Bishop Williams, of Lincoln, to Bishop Davenant, of Salisbury. To institute Samuel Lloyd to the perpetual vicarage of Steventon, co. Berks., vacant by the resignation of William Dillon. [*Copy. On the same paper are various notes of previous presentations to the vicarage of Steventon, extracted from Episcopal Registers.*]

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Feb. 14. 1. Sir Francis Seymour to Sec. Coke. The saltpetremen care not in whose houses they dig, threatening men that by their commission they may dig in any man's house, in any room, and at any time, which will prove a great grievance to the country. In the town where the writer lives they have digged up some malting rooms, and threaten to dig more. They dig up the entries and halls of divers men. If any oppose them they break up men's houses, and dig by force. They make men carry their saltpetre at a groat a mile, and take their carriages in sowing time and harvest, with many other oppressions. Hopes some course may be taken that these men may not strain their commission beyond what the Lords of the Council have enjoined. The saltpetreman's name for Wilts is Hellyer.

Feb. 14. 2. Notes by Sec. Coke respecting the charges against Dr. Beale, and which of them were proved.

Feb. 14? 3. Statement of the nature of the proceedings against Dr. Beale, with a query whether there was anything in them contrary to the privileges of the University of Cambridge.

Feb. 14. 4. List of Captains nominated by the Lords of the Admiralty for the ships prepared for present service as it was presented to the King by the Earl of Dorset. There are alterations in the King's hand.

Feb. 15. Grant of denization to Colonel Robert Scott, Anne his wife, Charles and Anne his two children, and Robert Scott his nephew. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 15. Restitution of the temporalities of the bishopric of Rochester granted to John Bowle, D.D., bishop elect. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 15. Warrant to pay to Sir Dudley Digges 2,625*l.*, in consideration of his surrender of an annuity of 500*l.* out of the silk farm, which he held by assignment from the Earl of Salisbury. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 15. Kettering. 5. The Deputy Lieutenants of co. Northampton to William Earl of Exeter, Lord Lieutenant. Of late the Muster Master has been allowed a stipend of 50*l.* per annum, which has been collected by the petty constables from the country in proportion to the arms wherewith the persons paying the amount were charged. [*Copy certified by the Earl of Exeter.*]

Feb. 15. Mitton. 6. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Details arrangements with Richd. Smart and William Wells, both of Stratford, incoming tenants of land held by Henry Cooper. Mr. Combs hath refused to deal for the Lodge field.

Feb. 15. Ipswich. 7. Bailiffs and others of Ipswich to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk. The town has heretofore given the Muster Master 5*l.* as a gratuity, which has been collected from the inhabitants, but of late finding themselves burdened they have refused to pay the same. [*Copy certified by the Earl of Suffolk.*]

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Feb. 15. Whitehall. 8. Draft Sentence of Archbishop Harsnet, Henry Earl of Holland, and Sec. Coke, declaring the charges against Dr. Beale proved, and that by the Statutes of Pembroke Hall he is no longer to continue in his office. [*Corrections in the handwriting of Sec. Coke.*]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. 9. Another Draft Sentence to the same effect in the handwriting of William Boswell.

Feb. 16. Grant to Humphrey Rogers, his Majesty's servant, of the benefit arising upon a ferry at Aberthaw, co. Glamorgan, for 21 years, at a rent of 20*s.* per annum. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 16. Cardiff. 10. Sir Thos. Button to Sec. Dorchester. His letter of the 14th January, with Luke Fox's petition, came to hand the 14th inst. Has looked into his journal and papers, which he thought would never have been made use of, and proceeds to answer his Majesty's two questions respecting the north-west passage. His opinion is now as it ever hath been since his return thence, that being undertaken in a fitting way and a due season, he makes as full account of the feasibleness of it as of any channel best known to us in those northern parts. When he waits on his Highness, will do his best to further it, and prevent the evils that pretending men of little experience may suddenly bring upon it. Thrice since he was there it has been attempted, and little or no advancement given to the business. To the question whether the discovery may prove of such benefit as is pretended, he answers that the received opinion of former ages, as well as of modern times, makes good that point. Were his years suitable, or his purse, he should be loath any man living should adventure it sooner, or more towards it, than himself. What he suffered by his wintering satisfies all reasonable men that either the passage will be found, or be not to be hoped for, the first year. From the west part of Nottingham's Island the adventurer should direct his course according to the set of the tide which he will find there. That is the way, and the only way, to find the passage, in which he as confidently believes as that there is a passage between Calais and Dover, or Holyhead and Ireland.

Feb. 16. Cardiff. 11. The same to the same. In his other letter has given a full account of what he required touching the north-west passage. Reminds him of a former patent granted by King James, and thinks it would not be amiss to talk with Sir John Wolstenholme or Sir Dudley Digges, who were chief under Prince Henry for managing the business. Begs leave to deplore to the Sec. the present condition of the writer's miserable estate, after his service in the north-west, the West Indies, and all other journeys and voyages for 37 years past. For five years he has received neither pension nor pay, and yet has continued in perpetual attendance and employment, so much to his charges that he has been driven to borrow, and has mortgaged and forfeited near 500*l.* lands per annum. All his endeavours to procure anything on account have failed, even to the grant of the moiety of the Dunkirk ship he

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took, which lies yet undecided. Urgently appeals to him to procure the King to cast some glimpse of favour upon him, that his long service may not be rewarded with ruin.

Feb. 16. Barley. 12. Dr. R. Brownrigg to Mr. Johnson. Replies to an argument used in the matter of Pembroke Hall that Scarlett's and Bold's elections were a precedent for that of Johnson.

Feb. 17. Westminster. 13. Grant to Edmund Mason, D.D., one of his Majesty's Chaplains, of the Deanery of Sarum, vacant by the promotion of Dr. John Bowle to the see of Rochester. [*Copy.*]

Feb. 17. Westminster. 14. The King to the Chapter of Salisbury. His Majesty having appointed Dr. Edmund Mason to the Deanery of Salisbury, directs them to admit him to a stall in the choir, and a voice in the Chapter. [*Copy.*]

Feb. 17. Grant to Sir Edward Hales, on the nomination of Sir Dudley Digges, of the manor and hundred of Faversham and other lands in Kent, of the yearly value of 187*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.*, for which Sir Dudley has paid into the Exchequer 3,129*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, reserving a rent of 187*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.* [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 17. Pardon to Isaac Montaigne, executor of George Montaigne, late Archbishop of York, for the dilapidations of Nettleham House, belonging to the Bishopric of Lincoln, whereof he was sometime Bishop, with license for demolishing the same house. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 17. 15. Petition of Wm. Gamull and others, merchants of Chester, to the Council. By an order of this board dated 5th Dec., 1627, it was ordered that the Company of Merchants of Chester should permit William Edwards, merchant there, to have a reasonable proportion and part adventure with the merchants of that City in every ship freighted by them. Petitioners conceive that the meaning of their Lordships was otherwise than the same is entered, it being not agreeable to the course of trading that any merchant should be forced to take a partner against his own liking. Pray them to explain their said order.

Feb. 17. 16. Warrant of the Lords of the Admiralty. The King having given Capt. Richard Plumleigh two sums of 150*l.* and 90*l.* formerly imprested to him, warrant is to be given to the Treasurer of the Navy to take off those sums from his entertainment, and to give him bills for the same, as a reward from his Majesty. [*Copy.*]

Feb. 17. Dover Castle. 17. Sir Edw. Dering to Sec. Dorchester. There daily pass many, and those very practical enemies to this Church and State. The Clerk of the Passage much befriends them. Sir John Underhill now says that Hadland is his friend, not his servant. John St. John avows that name, but a paper in Italian calls him, if the writer errs not, John Evered. Alexander Ramsay, the pretented servant of Underhill, is now Sir Ferdinando Audeley. In the same company came Adriano Calisto, who has surveyed England, Scotland, and Ireland.

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There is now in London William Robinson, *alias* Price, *alias* Jones, *alias* Benedictus de Sancto Facundo, president elect for the Benedictines of St. Gregory at Douay. Among intercepted letters the writer found the names of the electors of that college, which he mentions.

Feb. 17. 18. Thos. Bond to Nicholas. Informs him to whom he should send letters of the Lords of the Admiralty, for examination of the abuses of the saltpetremen.

Feb. 18. 19. Nicholas to Chas. Trinder of co. Oxon. Sends the letters above mentioned for the co. Oxford, and charges him to use his best care in this service. [*Copy. Written on the same paper as the previous article.*]

Feb. 18. Grant of denization to Peter Rochefort, tailor, born near Rochelle. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 18. Chester. 20. Wm. Earl of Derby to the Council. Sends letters received from the Deputy Lieutenants of cos. Chester and Lancaster. *Inclosed,*

20. I. *The Deputy Lieuts. of co. Chester to Wm. Earl of Derby, Lord Lieut. In the Queen's time the salary of the Muster Master was* 50*l.* *After the suppression of Tyrone's rebellion it was reduced to* 40*l.*, *and in King James's time to* 30*l.* *and both the captain and country are pleased therewith.*

20. II. *The Deputy Lieutenants of co. Lancaster to Wm. Earl of Derby and James Lord Strange, Lord Lieutenants. The Muster Master's pay has been* 50*l.* *per annum, which was levied of the country's charge, after the manner of other taxation.* 1630, *Feb.* 13.

Feb. 18. Newport. 21. Thos. Billinghurst, Deputy Coroner of Cowes, to Lord President Conway. Sends him examinations respecting the death of Arien Fulckerson Fincke, a Dutchman, slain in a squabble at Cowes. *Incloses,*

21. I. *Examinations taken before Billinghurst in the inquiry above mentioned. The verdict was one of murder against Capt. Richard Donnell.* 1630, *Feb.* 15.

Feb. 18. 22. Petition of Lady Ursula Harvey widow of Sir Simon Harvey to Lord Treasurer Weston. Petitioner's husband was receiver for cos. Stafford, Salop, Hereford and Worcester. There is a super of 467*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.* charged upon the petitioner as executrix of Sir Simon. There is also a privy seal dated 12 Nov. 1628, whereby there is due to Sir Simon from the King 2,500*l.* of which only 611*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* had been received. Prays that the super may be discharged. *Underwritten,*

22. I. *Reference to Mr. Baron Vernon to certify his opinion.* 1630, *Feb.* 18. *Annexed,*

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22. II. *Report of Sir George Vernon, Baron of the Exchequer, that the super should be discharged.* 1630, *Feb.* 24.

22. III. *Fiat of Lord Treasurer Weston complying with the prayer of the petition. The Attorney General is to prepare a bill accordingly. Wallingford House,* 1630, *May* 14. *Annexed,*

22. IV. *Super, or certificate of Francis Phelips, Auditor of the Exchequer, that the account of Sir Simon Harvey was in arrear* 467*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.*

[Feb. 18.] 23. Master Shipwrights of the Navy to Nicholas. Certificate that John London was a very sufficient man to be carpenter of the Red Lion.

Feb. 18. Lincoln's Inn. 24. Jasper Manwood to ———. Begs him to remember the petition of Madame Apsley, and to solicit his Lord to make known to the King her necessity on account of the debts of Sir Albert Morton. If the person addressed will prepare a command agreeable to the petition which the Lord alluded to will present, the writer is assured it will be granted, and the fact will never come to the knowledge of the Lord Treasurer, for Sir Robert Pye and the collector are friends of Madame, and will be secret: they will pay her before the accounts are given in. Fr.

Feb. 19. Pardon to Robt. Vaughan for the manslaughter of John Lane. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 19. Grant to his Majesty's sixteen serjeants-at-arms, and their successors, of 15*d.* a-day, board wages, in lieu of their diet. [*Sign. Man. Car.* I., *Vol.* xi., *No.* 64.]

Feb. 19. Docquet of the preceding.

Feb. 19. The King to Richard Lord Robartes of Truro, in behalf of Lord Lambert, his son-in-law, requiring him to repair to his Majesty's presence, or to send some person of trust to settle the difference touching his daughter's portion. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 19. Grant of instalment of the first fruits of the Bishopric of Bath and Wells, to be paid in four years. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 19. Grant of denization to Peter Rochefort. *See previous docquet,* 1630, *Feb.* 18. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. 25. Order of Council made on the report of the Sec. Dorchester, Mr. Vice Chamberlain, and Sec. Coke, to whom the petition of the Eastland Company had been referred. (*See* 1630, *Feb.* 12, *No.* 67.) A former proclamation on this subject is referred to the Attorney General to be renewed; all persons not members of the Company are to be forbidden to export English commodities to the places within the privileges of the Company, or to import any Eastland commodities into this kingdom. [*Copy.*]

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Feb. 19. 26. Petition of his Majesty's posts of the western stages to the Council. Complain that one Samuel Jude, a tradesman of London, has taken upon him the speedy dispatch of men and private packets, with other post businesses between London and Plymouth. Petitioners being thirteen in number, and having served seven years without pay, pray that Jude may not be permitted to meddle with any post businesses. *Underwritten,*

26. I. *Reference to Sec. Coke to call the parties before him and report. Whitehall,* 1630, *Feb.* 19.

Feb. 19. 27. Petition of Joshua Martyn and Thos. Lane, constables of Yeovil, co. Somerset, to the same. About three years past, by warrant of the Dep. Lieuts., under authority of this board, the constables were enjoined to billet soldiers in the several towns, and that the adjacent villagers should contribute towards the charge thereof. Soldiers having been billeted in the inns at Yeovil, and the villagers being behind in their contributions, William Beauchamp has brought an action against the petitioners. Pray for a reference to Sir John Stowell, and that in the meantime the cause may be stayed. [*The Council this day ordered that Beauchamp should be sent for by warrant, and that his action should be stayed. Co. Reg. Car. I., Vol.* v., *p.* 650.]

Feb. 19. / March 1. Madrid. 28. Robert Winde to Endymion Porter. Has heard the voice of that angel whom Porter styles his mistress. Such notes, cadences, and divisions, passing corporeal sound, must needs come from her very soul. Desires him to intreat the King to make no peace unless he have her as one of his hostages. Begs him to send some English gloves to present her with.

Feb. 19. Farley Wallop. 29. Sir Henry Wallop to Sec. Dorchester. Sends a petition, on which he begs him to obtain his Majesty's pleasure. The Lord Keeper promised to speak to him on Sir Henry's behalf.

Feb. 19. Gravesend. 30. Certificate of Capt. William Cooke and others, respecting the conduct of Robert Williams, master of a bark bound for Dunkirk, towards George Fyler, waterbailiff of Gravesend.

Feb. 19. The Tower. 31. Certificate of John Reynolds, as to the sufficiency of Samuel Vincent to serve as gunner in such a pinnace as the Stars.

Feb. 19. London. 32. Sir John Watts to Nicholas. Prays him to move the Lords of the Admiralty that Thomas Ramsey, who lost one of his hands in fight at sea, may have a letter to the feoffees of the seaman's chest at Rochester.

Feb. 19. 33. Certificate of Ralph Freeman, Commisioner for sale of French prize goods, that Sir Simon Harvey, their fellow commissioner, lately deceased, had had commodities out of his Majesty's stores to the value of 611*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*

Feb. 20. Grant of pension of 600*l.* per annum to Colonel Robert Scott, out of the Court of Wards. [*Docquet.*]

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Feb. 20. Grant of a gunner's room in the Tower of London, to Christopher Babham, with the fee of 12*d.* per diem, in the place of Thomas Skynner, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 20. Warrant to pay to Jane Countess of Marlborough 3,000*l.* of his Majesty's free gift, which should have been paid to James the late earl, her husband. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 20. Pardon to Robert Townne for stealing a mare belonging to Daniel Deane. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 20. Grant of denization to Colonel Robt. Scott, Anne his wife, Charles and Anne his children, George Scott his brother, and James Wimes [Wemyss] his nephew. *See Docquet,* 1630, *Feb.* 15. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 20. Westminster. 34. The King to the Commissioners of Sewers for co. Lincoln. Has taken into his own hands the care of draining the Level of the Six Counties, because he found from them no respect nor conformity to his pleasure, but rather such a proceeding as could not but induce distraction and the overthrow of the business. Requires them to conclude at this meeting at Boston such a bargain as the undertakers may be encouraged to proceed with the work. Advises them not to stop upon unnecessary difficulties, nor to give ear to froward men. Finds from experience how partial and unsafe verdicts are, and therefore advises them to proceed by their own view or knowledge. Expects them to comply with his pleasure, and that he be not constrained to interpose his regal power.

Feb. 20. Docquet of the same.

[Feb. 20.] 35. Petition of Hugh Grove, deputy for making saltpetre, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Complains of Thomas Stallam, George Eden, Thomas Burgess, and Thomas Sherman, of Thetford, for refusing to carry saltpetre liquors. Prays that they may be sent for by warrant.

Feb. 20. 36. Petition of the Deputies of the Lords of the Admiralty for making saltpetre to the same Lords. The powder-maker refusing to weigh or pay for the saltpetre they delivered, they pray that if present order be not taken for relieving them, they may have leave to make their cause known to the King.

Feb. 20. 37. Dennis Fleming to Nicholas. Sends letter from the Master Attendant at Portsmouth touching the state of the ships there, and requests attention to a variety of small particulars respecting the Tenth and Fourth Whelps, the Reformation, and Mary Rose. *Incloses,*

37. I. *John Goodwin to the Officers of the Navy. Letter above alluded to. Portsmouth,* 1630, *Feb.* 12.

Feb. 20. 38. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Has dealt freely with the master of his ship. When the Lords are satisfied, shall be willing to receive him.

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Feb. 20. The Temple. 39. Anonymous letter to Bishop Laud, addressed by mistake as John not William. The world concludes that his aim is at the suppressing of the Gospel and the supporting of idolatry, and indeed they may well so do, for what stratagems are not in execution for the bringing in of Popery by Arminianism, a most damnable opinion; and by whom is it brought, but by his Lordship and Neile, with their adherents. If one Salisbury, Coventry, or such like as Leighton, do but cross their way, by a sermon or book, they send for him, and give him or them a pill, and stop his passage, that he come not to David as a Jonathan, to show him the way to scape from the fury of his enemies. Warns the Bishop that if some be not released before long, he shall not see the end of his expectation. Signed "Not yours, but every true Christian's friend, to die for the truth; not known, because not ambitious." [*Indorsed by Bishop Laud—"A threatening letter, without name, for the imprisonment of Dr. Leighton about Sion's Plea."*]

[Feb. 20?] 40. George Gage to Endymion Porter. Signor Rubens parteth very well satisfied of Porter's favour and affection to him, and is very sorry for Porter's present affliction.

Feb. 20. 41. Bond of William Tiffin, clothworker of London, conditioned to pay to Robert Cambell, ironmonger of London, 15*l.* upon 20 Feb. 1637.

Feb. 20. 42. Surrender by Robt. Boyens of his place of Master Carpenter in the Red Lion, to John London.

Feb. 21. Warrant to pay to William Earl of Morton 10,000*l.*, a debt acknowledged by his Majesty to be due to him. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 21. Ninth Whelp in Hung Road, near Bristol. 43. Capt. Anthony Rice to the Lords of the Admiralty. His ship is that day brought from the graving place at Bristol. Reports state of his victuals and stores, and solicits their completion.

Feb. 22. Warrant to Edward Lord Newburgh, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, and other the officers of the Revenue thereof, for payment to Lord Newburgh of 1,290*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* remainder of 2,000*l.* payable to him out of the office of his Majesty's jewels and plate. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 22. Wor[cester?] 44. Gyles Thornburgh to ———. Thanks and protestations of service. The sudden loss of his mother has put him into great troubles.

Feb. 22. Orpington. 45. Sir Thos. Walsingham to Nicholas. Sends a certificate [perhaps that of Capt. Wm. Cooke and others, 1630, *Feb.* 19, *No.* 30.] to be communicated to the Lord Treasurer and the rest of the Commissioners. Hopes they will think he ought to have warrant to search ships.

Feb. 22. Slaugham. 46. Sir Walter Covert to Thos. Earl of Arundel and Surrey, and Edw. Earl of Dorset, Lord Lieuts. of Sussex. On Sunday last there was chased on shore at Brighthelmstone a Dunkirker of 160

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tons with 78 men and 10 pieces of ordnance. The ship was bulged, but the inhabitants saved the masts, ordnance, and other things. They pray that the pieces may be kept in the town for their safeguard.

Feb. 22. Cliff. 47. Paul Greensmyth to Abraham Dawes. Reports the wreck of the Dunkirker at Brighthelmstone mentioned above, which he conceived belonged to the King. When he came thither he found the ship pulled all to pieces, and the goods distributed among the people in the town. Gave the ordnance into the hands of the constable and requests directions.

Feb. 23. Westminster. Licence to the Governors of Sutton's Hospital in the Charterhouse to take into their own hands, notwithstanding the Statute of Mortmain, certain lands in cos. York, Huntingdon, Lincoln, Devon, Norfolk, Essex, and Cambridge purchased with the personal estate of the said Thomas Sutton, and heretofore conveyed to certain feoffees to the use of that hospital.

[*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xi., *No.* 65.]

Feb. 23. 48. Answers by Sec. Coke to various petitions to the Lords of the Admiralty. Among them are those of the Saltpetremen (1630, *Feb.* 20, *No.* 36.); Hugh Grove (*Ibid., No.* 35.); Paul Mercer (1630, *Feb.* 13, *Vol.* clx., *No.* 72); Jacob Dier, and William Cooke.

Feb. 23. William Weld to Edward Lord Conway at Lisneygarvey. Sir Francis Willoughby has been stayed by a quarrel between him and Sir Lucius Cary, who took exceptions at Sir Francis's having his company and sent him a challenge, with terms that seemed to make too bold with the King. He and Capt. Rainsford, that brought the challenge, were committed and ordered to be proceeded against in the Star Chamber. Being brought there it was made known that the King on representation made to him stopped their further punishment. Sends copy of Lord Falkland's petition which passes for a curious piece. Sir Thos. Conway is here; Lady Carlisle is restored to favour. [*See* 1629, *Dec.* 22., *Vol.* cliii., *No.* 77.]

Feb. 23. 49. Certificate of Peter White and others in favour of John Potter, Robert Swanscombe and Nicholas Laneham, cooks of the Fifth, Seventh, and Tenth Whelps.

Feb. 23. 50. Bond of Wm. Gomeldon and Richard Hamby, for payment of 10*l.* 4*s.* to Judith Danser, on 24 May next.

Feb. 24. Fort near Plymouth. 51. Sir James Bagg to the Lords of the Admiralty. Received their warrants, one ordering him to permit the Pelican to bring a Brazil prize to London, and the other checking him for disobedience and for making stay of another prize of the same ship. Relates to them the truth on both points.

Feb. 24. 52. John Webb, to Lord President Conway, Lord Lieut. of Hants. Submission to find arms as his Lordship and his Dep. Lieuts. should order.

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Feb. 24. Hinton. 53. John Lord Poulett and Elizabeth Lady Poulett to [Sec. Dorchester.] Announce the birth of a daughter, and pray him to help to make her a Christian and give her a name.

Feb. 24. Frierning Hill. 54. Dr. Robt. Aylett to Bishop Laud. Was last Tuesday at Chelmsford lecture, where Mr. South of Writtle preached, who spake so pertinently against the schism of inconformity, and so gently advised them to peace, that a lawyer said as he came out, "A few such excellent sermons would bring again the people in love with conformity." Was bold to thank the preacher in the Bishop's name. Saw there no conformity in hood or surplice. Offers to give a lecture, if directed.

Feb. 26. Chatham Dock. 55. Augustine Bright, Master of the Second Whelp, to Capt. Lewis Powell. The writer's uncle Boate, says, that no further work can be done in the Second Whelp without further order. Begs him to procure a warrant to bring the ship over the chain and into the Hope, to take in their victuals.

Feb. 26. Battersea. 56. Oliver Viscount Grandison to Sir Thos. Roe, ambassador to the Eastern princes. Congratulates him on the success of his negotiations, and comments on two observations he had made in the court of Poland: 1. The opposition of that free people in their Parliaments, and the advantages the King had made through patience and giving way. 2. The cunning course of the same King for establishing and increasing popery, whereby he has gained so many to his party and lost none. The writer is about to make a step into Ireland, to settle those things he has there, being the better part of his estate.

Feb. 26. 57. Petition of Ralph Billey, cooper of the Anne of London, to Sir Henry Marvill [Mervyn.] Petitioner being in his ship in the Downs, there came a great shot forth from the Lion, King's ship, whereof Sir Henry is captain, which fractured his arm, and imperilled his life. Prays relief. *Underwritten,*

57. I. *Certificate of Sir Henry Mervyn. When the Lords shall be made acquainted with the insolency of the master's neglect of duty to his Majesty's ship they will think him fit to make amends.*

57. II. *Reference by the Council to Sir Henry Marten. He is to take a course for the petitioner's relief according to the law of the sea and the rules of that court. Whitehall,* 1630, *Feb.* 26.

[Feb. 26?] 58. Certificate of Henry Powlett and three others, justices of the peace for Hants. That Thos. Packington with Paule Baylie, his servant, were arraigned for the death of Richd. Harfield, and that Packington was found guilty of manslaughter, and Baylie acquitted.

Feb. 27. The Court at Newmarket. 59. Lords of the Admiralty to Sir Lionel Tollemache, Vice Admiral of Suffolk. A ship laden with masts having been stranded on the shore of that county, he is to keep the goods which can be saved for his Majesty's use until further order. [*Copy.*]

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[Feb. 27 ?] 60. Lord President Conway to Sir Wm. Blake. Capt. Harrison having made over in trust his household goods to Wheeler, a goldsmith, he in the Captain's absence seized upon the whole, whereupon Harrison petitioned his Majesty, who referred the examination thereof to the writer. He finds that there remains due to Wheeler 20*l.* Capt. Harrison going away suddenly to Barbary is unprovided to pay the same, but wishes the person addressed to advance the amount on security of his goods or lease. [*Draft.*]

Feb. 27. 61. Petition of John Potter, Robt. Swanscombe and Nicholas Laneham to the Lords of the Admiralty. Pray their warrant to establish them in their offices.

Feb. 27. 62. Petition of Edmund Foreman to the same. Was boatswain in the Judith ketch in the late voyage to Rochelle, and afterwards was employed above bridge in her under Sir Alexander Napper, for which service he is yet unpaid to his almost undoing. Prays that he may be entered boatswain of the Seahorse.

Feb. 27. 63. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Sends commission touching Canada for signature; also the Bill which the Baron de Dona solicits for the poor exiled ministers of the Palatinate, and a Commission touching knights, to be delivered to Mr. Lake, the Lord Treasurer's Secretary.

Feb. 28. London. 64. Sec. Coke to the same. After the sermon at Whitehall that afternoon, as he attended the Lords to wait on the Queen at Denmark House, Mr. Lucas delivered him Lord Dorchester's letter. Moved Sir Paul Harris's petition to the King (*see Vol.* clv., *No.* 42), which he did knowing that some exceptions were taken to Sir Paul, and hearing a good report of Mr. Knight. His Majesty's answer was that if Sir Paul resigned, he would make choice of a fit man to succeed him, being resolved not to permit any sale of offices upon pretence of surrender. This answer was so princelike, and the resolution so much conducing to his Majesty's better service, that he gave over the pursuit.

Feb. 28. Whitehall. 65. Henry Lucas to the same. Sends letter from Lord Poulett (*see* 1630, *Feb.* 24. *No.* 53), and letters of nobilitation conceived by Sir John Borough on such directions and short character of the man to be ennobled as Lucas delivered to him. Sent the letter to Gravesend by messenger, and delivered that to Sec. Coke, who answered in conformity with the preceding letter.

Feb. 28. 66. Capt. Dawtry Cooper to Nicholas. The master of his ship has come to town, and is so mutinously inclined, that he shall be very unwilling to carry him to sea. Quotes his peremptory and foolish speeches. Begs leave to choose his own master, or that the Lords will appoint one more fit.

Feb. 28. Newmarket. 67. Confession of Thos. Paman, who feigned himself to be frantic, and afterwards to be bewitched, and in the latter character assaulted

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Alice Read, who was presumed to be a witch, and was sent to visit him by Sir Martin Stuteville.

Feb. 29? Whitehall. 68. The King to Attorney General Heath, to prepare a pardon for Michael Holman, for usury and usurious contracts.

Feb. 29. 69. Notes by Sec. Coke of the proceedings of a Committee [of the Council], which took cognizance of the several businesses of the knights, salt, tobacco, and extorted fees. These appear to be brief memoranda, from which the Sec. was to prepare, as directed, an account of the proceedings of this Committee for his Majesty.

[Feb. ?] 70. The King to Attorney General Heath. Wm. Earl of Banbury, holds the manors of Cholsey, alias Chelsey, co. Berks, and Grays, co. Oxon, under grants, in which the reversion remains in the Crown. The Earl is desirous of settling Cholsey on Henry Earl of Holland, his nephew, and Grays upon Sir Robert Knollys, who is also his nephew, and his next heir. To enable the Earl of Banbury to accomplish this desire, the Attorney General is to prepare a grant to that Earl of the crown reversion in the manor of Cholsey.

[Feb. ?] 71. List of benefices in cos. Northampton and Rutland, said in the indorsement to have been delivered to the Lord Keeper. In some cases their values are stated, and there are notes of various presentations of incumbents.

[Feb. ?] 72. Petition of the Vice Chancellor and heads of Colleges in the University of Cambridge to the King. For preservation of the chartered privilege whereby members of the University could be sued only in the courts of the University, for causes arising within the same, some persons of their body having solicited the King's favour to the diverting and weakening of the said charters.

[Feb. ?] 73. Copy of the preceding.

[Feb. ?] 74. Petition of John Mudd, tailor, of Ipswich, to the Council. In obedience to their order has become bound with a surety conditioned for him to be obedient to the ordinances of the Company of Tailors of Ipswich. Submits that if performance of this condition be exactly required, he must either leave the town or give up his trade. Prays for letters to the company, either to admit him into their freedom, or to suffer him to use his trade.

[Feb. ?] 75. Petition of Capt. Cock and his company to the same. A report made by Dr. Eden, that petitioners had embezzled goods of the Mary of Masterland, a ship taken by them, to the value of 494*l.* 4*s.* 0½*d.* That report founded on examination of witnesses only on one side. Pray for another commission to examine witnesses on both sides, and that the Council will give judgment. [*Indorsed by Nicholas, "Capt. Cock on behalf of himself, Mons. Delabarre, and others against Turgessen."*]

[Feb ?] 76. Petition of his Majesty's posts of the Western stages, from London to Plymouth, to Secs. Dorchester and Coke. Petitioners

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have agreed among themselves for the dispatch of all letters weekly from London to Plymouth in three days, and so the same week from Plymouth to London, besides the delivery of letters on the way within 20 miles of the road; and also to provide post horses for all who ride with letters, for single post pay, and 4*d.* to the guide. Pray the Secs. to signify to the Lord Mayor of London, and the Mayors of Salisbury, Exeter, and Plymouth, their approbation of petitioners' proceedings.

Feb.? 77. Reference by Archbishop Harsnet, of York, to Sir Wm. Becher, of a petition of —— Flower accused by —— Berchel, with underwritten certificate of Sir Wm. Becher, that Flower having been imprisoned for words spoken against the Earl of Holland, but nobody appearing to justify them, he had been discharged.

Feb.? 78. Complaint of Matthew de Quester, foreign postmaster, against Richard Ward, the younger, and Philip Joyce, for breaking open a bag with letters at Rochester, and abstracting several addressed to merchants abroad.

Feb.? 79. Dr. R. Brownrigg to Thomas Boswell. At Ely last audit Dr. Beale professed his willingness to have conferred the proctorship on Boswell, but that the præ-elected Fellows made head against him, and that it was their act to dispose of that office upon Mr. Hecstetter.

Feb.? 80. Note of the King's intention to improve the forests of Exmoor and Dartmoor, and other waste lands in cos. Somerset and Devon, whereby it is supposed there might be raised 100,000*l.* in fines and a large yearly rent, but that some great person should be authorized to undergo the weight of the business.

[Feb.?] 81. Petition of the Bay weavers of Colchester to the Bailiffs and Aldermen of that town. Having obtained the true workmanship of weaving and making baize, in as good sort as the strangers and Dutch congregation, they complain of the Dutch Bay Hall imposing forfeitures and fines upon them, which will drive them to forsake their trade.

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March 1. Durham House. 1. Bishop Howson of Durham, to the Council. His Deputy Lieutenants of the County Palatine have informed him that during their remembrance there was never any muster master in that county. About 16 years ago Thomas Hodshon intruded himself into that service, but the present Bishop of Winchester, then of Durham, did not admit of him. The officers, as they conceive, are able to discharge the duties themselves, and any such new officer would be very distasteful to the country.

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March 1. 2. Frances Lady Pelham to her father, Lord President Conway. Thanks for a present of halckes [hawks] to Mr. Pelham, and for the King's warrant for preservation of game. He will use the power it gives him with all courtesy and neighbourly kindness. Prays my lady's favour to help her to a coach. Has got three bay coach horses, and thinks to have a fourth this week, and then will put them to a plough, that they may the sooner draw a coach and perform their parts in a journey which she hopes to make to the Lord President in the beginning of May. Family details.

March 1. Mitton. 3. Foulke Reed to Wm. Weld. Explains various mistakes in his accounts of the Lord President's rents.

March 1. 4. Informations of Christopher Clarke and others respecting goods not entered in the bills of lading of the Gift, and also of the St. Paul, professedly bound for Calais, but really for Dunkirk.

March 1. 5. Certificate of Capt. John Duffell and others, of the sufficiency of John Potter for cook in any of his Majesty's ships.

March 2. 6. Similar Certificate of Tho. Rabanett and others in favour of Nicholas Laneham for cook in the Fifth Whelp.

March 2. 7. Petition of the Mayor and Commonalty of Salisbury to the King. Pray for renewal of their charters, with certain additions enumerated in a schedule annexed. *Annexed,*

7. I. *The schedule above mentioned. Underwritten,*

7. II. *Reference to Attorney General Heath to report thereon. Newmarket,* 1630, *March* 2.

7. III. *Report of the Attorney General that all the suggested alterations may be made without prejudice to the King's power or profit.* 1630, *April* 28.

[March 2.] 8. Petition of Dame Anne Wigmore, widow of Sir Richard Wigmore, deceased, to the same. Having found out a suit concerning carriers and others, which will rectify many abuses, bring to his Majesty's coffers a yearly revenue, and give satisfaction to petitioner for the great losses of herself and her husband, she prays that the same may be referred to the Lords Privy Seal, Steward, and Chamberlain. *Within written,*

8. I. *Petition of the same to the same. Many great abuses having resulted from dishonest and negligent carriers and footposts, by miscarriage of letters and other goods, as has been found by the practice of Stanley, West, and Waterhouse, petitioner prays for an incorporation of "carriers, footposts, hackney coachmen, badgers, kidders, laders, polterers, malsters, and drovers," and that John Napper be master, William Ford, senior warden, Miles Dodson, junior warden, and Robert Pepys and William Monck, clerks. Every member of the incorporation to be distinguished by a badge of silver with the King's arms*

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on one side and his name and place of abode on the other, such badges being paid for at certain rates according to the number of horses driven by the wearer, and the payments for such badges to go to the petitioner for three years. Underwritten,

8. II. *Reference to the Lords mentioned in the first mentioned petition. Newmarket,* 1630, *March* 2.

8. III. *Report of the Lord Privy Seal and the Lord Chamberlain [signing "Pembroke and Montgomery"]. They recommend the incorporation suggested.*

8. IV. *Memorandum that the King granted the prayer of the petition in such manner as the same is allowed in the preceding report. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Oct.* 28.

March 2. Westminster. 9. Sec. Coke to Sec. Dorchester. Having received advertisement that above a dozen young women and boys attended at the ports to get passage under the protection of the Spanish ambassador's son-in-law and Mons. Rubens, Sec. Coke gave notice to the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, by whose ministers they were stayed. The Spanish Ambassador asserts that they are an English gentlewoman going over to be married, and her servants. Sec. Coke offered if he would make known their names to move the Lords for a passport for them; but he purposes to send to his Majesty. Is informed that these women are sent over with good portions to be put into nunneries, and the boys into the schools of the Jesuits.

March 2. Portsmouth. 10. Francis Brooke to Sec. Coke. Reports arrangements for safety of the Henrietta Maria and the Spy. A French vessel which brought home Capt. Duppa when his ship was taken from him, and a Spanish bottom which brought passengers from St. Christopher's, ought to be confiscated to the King, although it is pretended they belong to the passengers. The prize ship, the Notre Dame, is at Cowes, very carelessly neglected.

March 2. 11. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Recommends Mr. Hooker as purser of the Reformation for this voyage.

March 2. 12. Answers of Nicholas Bourne, of London, stationer, to articles objected against him by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. A porter left with a servant of his 30 of the book articulate, all which, save three which he has brought into court, were sold. Knows not the names of the purchasers, nor can tell what to believe concerning the printer or author.

March 2. Ipswich. 13. John Carnaby and John Blomfield to Edmund Button, master of the Violet of Ipswich. There are five or six Dunkirkers about the Naze or Speets [Spits ?] which have taken the Margaret. If these dangerous times continue the cheesemongers must take some better course. Pray him to have a care.

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March 3. 14. Petition of John Sutton to the Council. Three Dutch ships are lading corn of all sorts to the number of eight or ten thousand quarters to be transported by Peter Coxe for Lucas Jacobs, who has already transported great quantities of corn under a pretended license of this board. Two of the ships are at Chichester, the other at Arundel. Pray for a warrant to stay the ships.

March 3. 15. Copy of the same.

March 3. Whitehall. 16. Order of Council referring the preceding petition to Solicitor General Sheldon, and if he finds it a cause fit for the Star Chamber, that the Attorney General and he shall prosecute the same. [*Copy.*]

March 3. 17. Petition of John Brooke, Clerk of the Cheque at Portsmouth, to the Lords of the Admiralty. By extraordinary occasions during these times of war divers of his Majesty's ships have been and are repaired at Portsmouth, whereby petitioner has been forced to keep clerks for his assistance. Prays such extra allowance as was given by the late Lord Admiral to his predecessor. *Underwritten,*

17. I. *Reference to the officers of the Navy to certify what allowance had been made by the former Commissioners or the late Lord Admiral. Whitehall,* 1630, *June* 8.

March 3. 18. Sec. Dorchester to Oliver Fleming, Ambassador in Switzerland. Since his departure time has bred no small alteration, all to the better, in settling the disquiet of men's minds after the heats kindled by the disorders of the last Parliament. Three of the chief authors are fined and imprisoned in the King's Bench for refusing to answer; whereby the world sees that Parliament men must be responsible for their words and actions in other courts, and so they will be more moderate hereafter, and the King may meet his people with assurance that they will never transgress in the point of due respect and obedience. One is censured in the Star Chamber for his presumption in quitting the personal service of sheriff, whereunto he was obliged by oath, to play the busybody in Parliament. The rest will have their turns for their trials. Meanwhile trade which suffered some interruption returns to its wonted course without dispute about entries or custom, and his Majesty finds some help in the country, for the business of no-Knights goes roundly forward, no man disputing the legality of it in general; so as by this and other lawful but extraordinary ways some good sums are likely to be raised, till his Majesty shall see his own time to help himself again by subsidies. [*Extract.*]

March 3. Southampton. 19. John Ellzey to Nicholas. Sends appraisements of two prizes of Capt. Scras; one supposed to be of Calais and conjectured to be called the Estridge, the other of St. Giles in France.

March 3. 20. Answers of Henry Overton, of London, stationer, to articles objected against him by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. A packet of the book articulate to the number of between 20 and 30 was left at his shop in Pope's Head Alley, near Lombard Street, by a strange porter, most of which he sold to persons coming to his stall and the

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rest he brought into Court. Denies that he knows author or printer. About two months ago two men in the habit of sailors came to his shop and demanded money for these books. He asked who sent them. They said that was all one. Examinant replied that he was in trouble about the said books and would not pay for them unless he knew who sent them.

March 4. 21. Petition of John Paltock, purser of the Constant Reformation, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Being ill he prays permission to appoint Richard Hooker as his deputy for this voyage.

March 4. 22. Names of Commissioners for a Commission of Oyer and Terminer for the Admiralty of the City of London, and cos. Middlesex, Essex, Kent, and Surrey. This list contains the names sent to Sir Henry Marten.

March 4. 23. Another copy of the same list, in a previous stage of preparation.

March 4. Newmarket. 24. Sec. Dorchester to ——. Gives account of the means taking for settling men's minds after the heats of the last Parliament. *Similar, but not so full, as the same writer's letter to Mr. Fleming, of the day preceding. See No.* 18. [*Copy.*]

March 4. Newmarket. 25. The same to ——. Another extract from a similar letter to the preceding. [*Copy.*]

March 4. St. Malo. 26. Capt. John Dymes to Sec. Dorchester. The weather was so tempestuous that it was the beginning of March before he could get into Britanny. Is now at St. Malo, where he finds great store of merchant ships, but none of the King's, nor any taken up for his service. On the coast of Normandy there are only the ten "Draggones," which were built at Havre de Grace, in imitation of the Lion's Ten Whelps. Ships at Nantes, Bordeaux, and Bayonne cannot be soon ready. Guernsey and Jersey very much annoyed by a French pirate harboured at Sark.

March 4. 27. Katherine Duchess of Buckingham, to Nicholas. For a cook's place in the Mary Rose for Wm. Burden, who served her late dear lord many years. Subscribes herself Nicholas's "faithful, unfortunate friend."

March 4. London. 28. Sir Thos. Walsingham to the same. Incloses affidavit of his waterbailiff. Hopes that when these men return they may be sent for to answer their contempt, and that he may have a new warrant to search all such ships. *Inclosed,*

28. I. *Affidavit of George Fyler, of Gravesend, waterbailiff of Sir Thomas Walsingham, of his being prevented going aboard a bark believed to be bound for Dunkirk.* (*See* 1630, *Feb.* 19, *Vol.* clxi., *No.* 30.) [*Copy.*]

March 4. 29. Stephen Alcock to Nicholas. The master of the Miniken is coming to London to receive his gunner's stores. Three months' victuals are ready for him.

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March 4? 30. Certificate of Capt. Wm. Cooke, and others, of the sufficiency of Robert Swanson for cook in the Tenth Whelp.

March 4. 31. Capt. Thomas March to Mr. Mayo. Sends particulars for a warrant for further ordnance for the Fourth Whelp.

March 4. 32. Bishop Howson of Durham to Bishop Laud. Hears that the Archbishop of York intends to obtain a Commission from the King to visit the diocese of Durham. They have endeavoured to persuade him to stay his prceedings, but within an hour after his departure from London he sent to the writer's house an inhibition while the seal was yet hot, although the writer alleged it was against their most ancient and most ample privileges, and that it would trouble the peace of the country. Sends copies of letters and records to prove that the Archbishop has no such right of visitation. The people now, on the first motion, proclaim that they know none but God, the King, and Saint Cuthbert, which is their Bishop, to whose government they submit.

March 4. 33. Copy of the same.

March 5? Dover. 34. Cyrille de Fiennes, Viconte de Fruges, to Sec. Dorchester. Begs the Sec. to procure him an interview with the King respecting a project of the Lords of the Low Countries for driving out the Spaniards and restoring the King of Bohemia. Does not come to solicit anything, but to offer his Majesty 20,000 men levied by the writer's relations and friends. Fr.

March 5. 35. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Recommends William Sparkes for cook of the Mary Rose. [*Underwritten is a recommendation of Sparkes by Capt. Francis Sydenham.*]

March 5. 36. Inventory by Wm. Drake of Tenths of the Lady of Good Success, and the St. Mary of Peniche, prizes brought into Bristol.

March 6. Proclamation for a General Collection to be made in all churches and chapels for the relief and succour of the exiled ministers of the Palatinate. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 117.]

March 6. 37. The Council to Justices of Peace and Treasurer of co. Brecknock. Recommend to them John Roberts, a maimed soldier, for a pension. [*Entered on the Council Reg. under the date of* 1630, *March* 5, *Vol.* v., *p.* 679. *Draft.*]

March 6. The same to the Mayor and Aldermen of Gloucester. Require them in conformity with a previous letter to allow a pension to Francis Adams, a maimed soldier. [*Draft, written on the same paper as the preceding article.*]

March 6. Whitehall. 38. Report of the Council on a cause between Capt. Thorneff Franck and John Wells, heretofore paymaster of the Navy, referred to them by his Majesty. They find that Franck is unpaid 36*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*, which they order Wells to pay. [*Draft.*]

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March 6. Chichester. 39. Certificate of Justices of the Peace and others of Chichester to the Council. That the price of wheat has not at any time this year exceeded the price limited in the statute, for that the best wheat is sold at 3*s.* 6*d.* and 3*s.* 8*d.* per bushel. [*Attested copy.*]

March 6. Wanting. [Wantage?] 40. Gabriel Dowse, Edward Clarke, and Charles Wiseman, to the Lords of the Admiralty. The complaints of wrongs committed by Stevens the saltpetreman are so great that they had not been able to reduce them into method. Pray a respite of their certificate for a fortnight or three weeks.

March 6. 41. Petition of the Cheesemongers and Fishmongers of London to the same. That by reason of the many Dunkirkers that lie on the Norfolk, Suffolk, and Essex coasts, no bark can pass between Yarmouth Roads and the Thames; London cannot be served with provisions; and butter, cheese, and fish, which have lain long at sea, will decay. Pray them to send one or more of the Lion's Whelps, or the King's ketch, or some other safe convoy, that the provisions may come in safety.

March 6. Blackfriars. 42. Sir John Borough, Norroy, to Sec. Dorchester. Delivered a patent for ennobling Paul Vander Nieustat to Mr. Lucas, to be sent to the Sec. By the Lord Marshal the writer is drawn out of town for ten days. The painter may limn the coat and bordure the patent. An alteration must be made in the crest.

March 6. The King's Fort, near Plymouth. 43. Sir James Bagg to Nicholas. Complains of Nicholas's neglect of his letters. Shall not be in London these twenty days. Has sent Abraham Biggs with 1,000*l.* for the Duchess, and has given various businesses in charge to him. Let it be punishment sufficient that they have lost the best Lord, without afflicting each other by mutual neglect.

March 6. 44. Sir Thos. Walsingham to the same. Corn, victual, and other prohibited and uncustomed goods are daily transported out of Kent to the enemy. If their Lordships let him have a new warrant to search suspected ships, he shall do the King and State the best service he can.

March 7. Whitehall. Proclamation reviving and enlarging a proclamation of King James prohibiting the bringing in of commodities traded by the Eastland Merchants, as well by subjects as strangers not free of that company, with a publication of Statutes for restraint of shipping commodities in strangers' bottoms. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 118.]

March 7. Newcastle upon Tyne. 45. Mayor and others of Newcastle upon Tyne to the Council. Advertise them of a late spoil to the value of 7,000*l.* done to the merchants of that town by Dunkirkers. Three hundred sail ready to be laden for London and other places, but dare not adventure to sea till some course be taken for their safety. Recommend to their consideration the petitions of the merchants of that town, and of the masters and mariners now in that port, and the informations of

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mariners in the ships taken by the Dunkirkers, and pray them to take course for safe passage of merchant ships for foreign trade, coal ships, and ships bringing corn to that port, of which at that instant they are in great necessity. *Inclose,*

45. I. *Information of Gregory Hunter, master's mate of the Endeavour, of Newcastle, and of John Turner and others, mariners. Their ship, in company with three others, coming from Middleburgh, fell in with two great ships of Dunkirk, by whom, after a fight, they were all taken. Met with other Dunkirkers besides the ships that took them, and were told there were six and twenty ships of the King of Spain at sea. Newcastle-upon-Tyne,* 1630, *March* 5.

45. II. *The like of Thomas Watson, of Berwick-upon Tweed, servant to Mr. Wilkin of the same place, merchant. Having been captured at sea by Dunkirkers and taken into that place, he gives account of the number of ships they now have at sea. Besides various ships of the navy of Spain there were about* 40 *sail of freebooters. Newcastle-upon-Tyne,* 1630, *March* 7.

March 7. 46. List and account of the prisoners now lying in Dover Castle. Among them are enumerated Anthony Britton and Thomas Tancke, sent from Douay with the news that St. Gregory's College there had chosen William Robinson to be their president, who is now going over with much treasure; and Mr. Eustace, an Irish harper, sent over to Brussels to serve the Prince of Portugal.

March 8. Newcastle upon Tyne. 47. Mayor and others of Newcastle upon Tyne to the Council. On complaint that Giles Abraham, who says he was born at Ostend and is master of a ship supposed to belong to Ostend now in that harbour, was a spy, they had taken certain informations which they inclosed, and had stayed his ship.

March 8. 48. Petition of the Bailiffs of Colchester on behalf of the merchants, masters of ships, and mariners there, to the Council. Five or six Dunkirkers have lien up and down the coast there by the space of two months and have captured divers ships. Pray that some course may be taken for prevention of this daily robbery.

March 8. Hatfield Broadoak. 49. Sir Thomas Barrington to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks the Sec. for visiting him and his wife, and hopes that he arrived safely at the Court, although by a tedious way then at its worst.

March 8. Wallingford House. 50. [Nicholas] to the several Vice Admirals. His Majesty having received notice that an Ambassador is very shortly to arrive from the King of Spain, has given command that no insolences or uncivil behaviour be offered to him. Each person addressed is to see that no just cause of offence be given.

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March 8. Buckden. 51. Bishop Williams of Lincoln to Sir John Lambe, Commissary of the Archdeaconry of Leicester. Sends him printed copy of the King's Instructions to the Clergy and directs him how to communicate the same to the Lecturers, and what return he shall expect from him relating thereto. Lastly, he explains the orders concerning the lecturers upon the presumption that they have no intent to take away preaching or tire out preachers, and therefore he allows the preacher to a mixed congregation, instead of catechising, to explain the catechetical heads of doctrine from the pulpit, and shows how the prayers may be read partly by the lecturer and partly by the parson of the place before preaching.

March 8. Buckden. 52. Edward Lake to the same. By Bishop Williams's directions sends the above letter with 250 copies of the Instructions to the Clergy. The rate for them is to be 2*d.* apiece.

March 8 ? 53. Petition of Clement Cotton to the Council. The King having bestowed upon petitioner a privilege for printing a small Concordance with the Bible of the last translation, petitioner had been constrained to assign that privilege to one Nicholas Bourne for a sum of money, being the only means to support petitioner and his wife in very aged and sickly estate. The Council having lately restrained the binding of the Concordance with the Bibles, petitioner prays that those who desire to have the same may not be forbidden.

March 8. 54. Petition of the same to Bishop Laud. Two small treatises of the History and Doctrine of the Bible have been bound up with the Bible to the prejudice of petitioner's grant as to the Concordance above mentioned. Prays him to signify his pleasure concerning a clause of restraint to be inserted in the grant to the petitioner, whereby books unless they have the allowance expressed in the said clause are to be prevented. *Underwritten,*

54. I. *Note by Bishop Laud that the grant above alluded to may now pass, so that the clause annexed be inserted therein as interlined, and that any one may buy the Bible with or without the Concordance as he shall please. Annexed,*

54. II. *Clause to be inserted in the grant above mentioned, altered and interlined by Bishop Laud.*

March 8. 55. Certificate of John Tyas that he had assigned to John Potter his place of cook in the Seventh Whelp.

March 9. Proclamation for restraint of excessive carriages, to the destruction of the highways. In partial conformity with a proclamation of the late King of August 6, 1622, it was commanded that no common carrier or other person should travel with any wain or cart which should have above two wheels, nor that upon any wain or cart there be laden above 20 cwt., nor be used above five horses. Such extraordinary carriages as of late years have been used have

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been held by the Judges to be general nuisances, wherefore the Attorney General is to prosecute them in a legal course in the court of Star Chamber. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 119.]

March 9. Colchester. 56. Bailiffs of Colchester to the Council. Complaints have been made by the merchants who trade into Holland, and also those who go from port to port, that by reason of the Dunkirkers they dare not stir out of harbour. Two ships in that port laden with goods to the value of 10,000*l.* for Holland dare not go to London to seek a convoy. Pray that some speedy course may be taken for clearing the coast.

March 9. 57. Remembrances for Mr. Nicholas of warrants to be procured from the Council or Lords of the Admiralty for certain reductions of men and sales of ships no longer needed.

March 9. Suffolk House. 58. Katherine Dowager Countess of Suffolk to Henry Earl of Holland. The late King commanded the late Earl of Suffolk's house upon the treaty of the Queen's marriage, intending it for ten days, but used it above a year. Also ambassadors came to Audley End at several times, whom the late Earl spared no cost to entertain, beside store of stuff sent to Cambridge to receive them there. It is well known what havock in the house and gardens was made, and what spoil of stuff torn and wasted by riotous and disordered servants. In compensation, the Countess beseeches the King for preferment of her grandchild Bess Howard, to give her the fine for the wardship and marriage of a ward under the degree of a baron.

March 9. Cliff near Lewes. 59. Paul Greensmyth to Abraham Dawes. Had sent a note of the goods brought ashore from the Dunkirk man-of-war. Mr. Stone has shipped three barks with ordnance to London. Is he to suffer more to be shipped by the same warrant?

March 10. Whitehall. 60. Order of Council that all directions and warrants for any cause in the cognizance of the Lord Admiral, be addressed to the Lords of the Admiralty, and not to any inferior officer.

March 10. Whitehall. 61. Order of Council that the Merchant Adventurers should revoke an order that all cloth sent to Holland should be tared only at the mart town, which is Delft. Between this and the next shipping a course shall be taken to remedy their grievance in the point of tare.

March 10. Whitehall. 62. Order of Council prohibiting the open repair to the houses of foreign ambassadors for the purpose of hearing mass, and authorizing the Messengers of the Chamber to arrest persons who go thither, and bring them before the Council. Secs. Dorchester and Coke were to wait upon the ambassadors to explain this order to them. [*Copy.*]

March 10. 63. Translation of the same into French.

March 10. Chatham. 64. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Report the state of preparation for sea in which they found the Reformation, and other ships appointed for present service. The principal wants were of victuals and ordnance.

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March 10. 65. Sir Ferdinando Audeley to Sec. Dorchester. Having been arrested at Dover, and since brought to "this town," the Council referred his case to Sec. Dorchester and the Earl of Suffolk. Prays the Sec. to appoint a time for the writer to attend and answer objections against him.

March 11. The Lords of the Admiralty to Capt. Thomas March. Instructions on his being employed in the Fourth Lion's Whelp, to convoy and guard the ships of King's Lynn, Boston, Wells, Burnham, and other adjacent creeks. [*See Vol.* clvii., *fo.* 103 *b.*]

March 11. Brocklesby. 66. Sir Wm. Pelham to his father-in-law, Lord President Conway. Their journey to London advances fast; he gets seed-corn into the ground, and his wife is now furnished with four coach geldings and mares, and he hopes will that day be provided with a coachman. Hopes for a new coach by Lady Conway's favour. For paying for it, and the first payment for his father's tomb, he has a bank at London. Fears for the safe passage of the coach by sea. Losses suffered by the northern merchants are, according to their own phrase, "unsupportable." Many men of Dunkirk attend almost at the mouth of the Humber, so that eleven ships laden with cloth dare not stir forth of harbour. Selected men sent from the companies of Newcastle, York, and Hull, with complaints to the Council board. Loss of a delicate lure falcon. Falconers sent to all the country round to seek for her, but in vain.

March 11. Brocklesby. 67. Francis Lady Pelham to the same. Further particulars as to the way and time in which her new coach is to be paid for. Fears lest the Dunkirkers should meet with it. By his last she had a better feast in the knowledge of his health than either Lincoln's Inn or the Temple made, or the Lord Mayor could have feasted the Ambassador and Lords with. The physician deferred coming to Franke till to-morrow, because the sun entering into the equinoctial is the fitter time to give physic in.

March 11. Roch[ester.] 68. Geo. Robinson to Stephen Alcock. He and others sent for before the Officers of the Navy to resolve them what the ships wanted of their victual. Explains the deficiencies. [*In the margin are explanatory memoranda by Alcock.*]

March 11. 69. Bond of John Vicars, Rector of St. Mary, Stamford, John Smith, of St. Dunstan in the West, London, leatherseller, and John Baily, of St. Anne, Blackfriars, brown-baker, in 500*l.* conditioned for John Vicars within one week finishing his answers to articles objected against him by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and personally appearing before the same Commissioners, at Lambeth, on the 15th April next, to receive such direction as to justice shall appertain. [*Copy.*]

March 11. 70. Account of anticipations of the Revenue as they now stand charged. Total, 221,837*l.* 3*s.* 1*d.*

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March 12. Whitehall. 71. Order of Council that Edmund Harnham, who professed an intention to infringe the privileges of the Eastland Merchants, contrary to the order of the 19th of last month (*see Vol.* clxi., *No.* 25), be expressly charged to conform to that order, or make his repair hither to answer his contempt. [*Copy.*]

March 12. Westminster. 72. Thomas Lord Wentworth to the Council. Reports the circumstances of a dispute between the tenants of the demesne lands of Barwick in Elmet and Mr. Cæsar, which had been referred to him by the Council. The tenants surrendered their estates to Mr. Cæsar, in order that he might obtain a new lease from the King's Commissioners, being then prince, upon an agreement that every tenant should afterwards have his own back again, paying a rateable proportion of the sum paid for the new lease, which agreement Mr. Cæsar repudiated. The writer holds that Mr. Cæsar had dealt very badly with the tenants, and that he and Mr. Goodrick, to whom he alleged he had sold, ought to assign to the tenants on payment of the amount originally agreed, with interest "after six in the hundreth."

March 12. 73. Petition of Thomas Chaworth, a poor distressed prisoner in the common gaol in the King's Bench prison, to the Council. Order made by the Council in February last for Capt. Mason to pay petitioner the remainder of his pay as Lieutenant under Sir Francis Willoughby in the expedition to Cadiz. On petitioner's wife's going to receive the amount she was prevented by Sir Francis Willoughby, who alleges against petitioner debts owing in Ireland of which he is ignorant, and cuts off three months' pay due by the King's allowance. Prays redress. *Underwritten,*

73. I. *Order for Sir Francis Willoughby to make answer without delay. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 12.

March 12. 74. Petition of Jane, widow of Capt. Evan Watkins, Sergeant-Major of Sir Thomas Morton's regiment, to the Council and Council of War. Her husband killed in the Isle of Rhé. She has continued in London for 2¾ years to receive the moiety of his entertainment and a part of his estate withheld by James Morgan his executor. The latter having now agreed that she shall receive the same, she humbly prays speedy payment of the moiety above mentioned.

March 12. 75. Sir Henry Marten and Attorney General Heath to the Lords of the Admiralty. Are of opinion that the town of Dartmouth have the office of water bailiffs there. As to the right of taking up ordnance sunk in the sea, within the mouth of the haven, they are not able to determine that point, the rather because the invention of getting such things out of the sea is but of few years continuance, far short to ground a prescription upon. Think the point should be argued next term.

[March 12 ?] 76. Cyrille de Fiennes, Vicomte de Fruges, to Sec. Dorchester. Three days having passed since he spoke to the Sec., imagines either

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that the multiplicity of his business has made him forget the writer's proposal, or that the King does not approve of their design. If the latter be the case, begs to be informed of it that he may immediately set about his return. French.

March 12. The Mews. 77. Sir John Hippisley to Nicholas. The Lords have appointed his business to be heard on Tuesday next. Begs him to let Pawson and the rest know.

March 13. 78. Petition of Cornelius Dreble and Abraham Kuffler to the King. Petitioners were employed in the last expedition to Rochelle, but have never been able to obtain debentures out of the office of Ordnance. Pray for order to the officers of Ordnance that petitioners may have such debentures. *Underwritten,*

78. I. *Reference to the Lords of the Admiralty.*

March 13. 79. Petition of Capt. John Mennes to the Lords of the Admiralty. In his employment in the Adventure was put to extraordinary charge in transporting ambassadors and sending home a prize. Afterwards seized into his hands wools to the amount of 10*l.* or thereabout. Prays that the wools may be bestowed upon him, or that he may have them in lieu of wages for five gentlemen, who served on the same occasion, but are denied the ordinary entertainment.

March 13. 80. Petition of John Smyth, Captain of the Fort at Gravesend, to the same. Has served in that place 14 years, and was at 150*l.* expense to make the fort fit to live in. Has but five gunners and a porter. His own pay 26*l.* per annum; that of his gunners, 8*d.* a piece per diem, all which is behind for six years. Has been forced to sell great part of his lands, the Lords having given his creditors leave to take their course by law. Prays payment of his arrears or withdrawal of the leave given to his creditors.

March 13. 81. Petition of Nicholas Stevens, deputy for making saltpetre, to the same. Prays copy of the charge and examinations against him.

March 13. 82. Petition of bailiffs and inhabitants of Great Yarmouth, and inhabitants of the coasts adjoining, to the same. About this time of the year petitioners have set forth for Iceland, Westmony, and the North seas, about 300 sail of English fishers, which consist of about 5,000 seafaring persons. By reason of the Dunkirkers the poor fishermen are so terrified that they are resolved not to go out. Pray for two or three ships of war to defend the fleet during the fisher season.

March 13. 83. Susanna Reeve to her brother Matthew Reeve. Hopes he will find contentment on leaving his trading and turning countryman. Family news.

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March 14. Whitehall. 84. Lord Keeper Coventry and Attorney General Heath to the King. Report on the petition of Whitby for a new incorporation. Think the same may be of good use, but with certain qualifications. *Underwritten,*

84. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 14.

March 14. 85. Petition of Philip Burlamachi to the Lords of the Admiralty. Charles Steltius, Johan Smesters, and others, of Calais, being indebted to petitioner since 1626 and 1627, by reason of the wars he has been enforced to forbear the recovery of his debts, and now they deny to pay him, but assign parts of two ships, the St. Claude and the Anne, which, in 1626, were adjudged to them, but have ever since been employed in the King's service. Pray for delivery of the same to him. [*Underwritten is a memorandum in another hand that on the war with France these ships became lawful prize.*]

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March 15. 1. Peter White to Nicholas. Between three and four months victuals are aboard all the ships at Chatham appointed for service, only munition is wanting.

March 16. Whitehall. 2. The Council to the Mayor and Sheriffs of Norwich. Warrant to apprehend Gregory Breviter, of Norwich, and his wife, and deliver them to John Stanforth, Messenger of the Chamber, who having arrested the said Gregory on a previous warrant, was by Gregory and his wife locked up, and put in fear of his life. [*Unsigned.*] *Underwritten,*

2. I. *Certificate of the Attorney General that the above was a fit warrant if the Lords pleased.*

March 16. Tehidie. 3. Francis Bassett to the Council. Had investigated the charges brought by Thomas Littleton and others against Capt. Regnold, of complicity with Mons. Le Cusac, in an outrage committed at St. Christopher's, in the West Indies. Finds that Capt. Regnold's account of his commission is not correct, but that he was at Barbadoes when the massacre was committed at St. Christopher's. Desires to know whether he should free Capt. Regnold.

March 16. Whitehall. Lords of the Admiralty to Sir Henry Mervyn. Appointed to command the Constant Reformation, Convertive, and Fifth Whelp. Instructions how to dispose of the same ships and others placed under his command for the guard of the Narrow Seas. [*See Vol.* clvii. *fo.* 105.]

March 16. 4. Incomplete draft of the same instructions in the handwriting of Nicholas, with alterations by Sec. Coke.

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March 16. The Court.

5. Sec. Dorchester to Mr. Salmon. Has been long in treaty with Sir George Symonds for Brightwell, the place of his grandfather's and father's burial and his own birth, but is told that Sir George has contracted with Capt. Lee for somewhat more than the Sec. offered. Appeals to him not to prefer a stranger, and offers as much as Capt. Lee, with a courtesy to the noble Lady of the house, besides such services as he shall be able to do Sir George or his Lady. [*According to the indorsement a letter to the like effect was addressed to Sir George Symonds.*] [*Draft.*]

March 16. The Strand.

6. Edward Viscount Wimbledon to Sec. Dorchester. The late Duke was General [of the Cadiz expedition] and had power to appoint a Deputy. He offered the writer an appointment from the King, but, not to lessen his honour, he took it from himself. For commission from the King of Bohemia, he never heard of any such thing.

March 16. Westminster.

7. Giles Rawlins to the same. Solicits his influence to procure him the Savoy employment of which he had been in expectation for five years, and in contemplation thereof had wasted his fortune and neglected all other duties.

March 16. London.

8. Cyrille de Fiennes, Vicomte de Fruges, to the same. May he wait upon him that evening to say farewell and have a little conversation with him? Fr.

March 16. Tremeer.

9. Sir Barnard Grenville to his father in law, Endymion Porter. Expresses strong filial regard to Porter and the writer's honourable mother, with affection to his pretty brothers, and solicits his favour to a work in which Honest Ralph will beg his assistance.

March 18/28. Brest.

10. Capt. John Dymes to Sec. Dorchester. Has been at all the ports of Britanny, and seen all the King's ships, which are so far from being ready for any present service that there is not yet any order or speech thereof. Gives minute account of the ships he has seen, and the difficulties he has encountered. Has been constrained to travel as much on foot as on horseback. Lent has been so strictly observed, by reason of a jubilee which the Pope has granted to the Church, that it is accounted almost a mortal sin to think of an egg.

March 19. Westminster.

11. The King to Horace Lord Vere, Master, and the other officers of the Ordnance. Having resolved not to permit the transportation or sale of any of the iron ordnance called Drakes to any person whatsoever, they are to call to them the founder, and take account of all the iron drakes he has ever made, and how the same have been disposed of, and charge him to forbear casting or selling any new drakes, except 24 granted to the Earl of Holland for his plantation on the coast of America, by warrant of 24 Feb. 1630.

March 19. Whitehall.

12. The same to all Christian people. Taking into consideration the worth and "demerits" of Capt. Richard Quaile, the King employs him in the Seahorse to range the seas all the world over, according to his desire and request, and for private reasons best known

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unto the King, and requires all neighbouring princes and all the King's subjects to afford him all good respects and assistance.

March 19. Copy of the same. [*See Vol. of Admiralty Collections, Dom. Eliz., end of* 1590, *fo.* 93.]

March 19. Whitehall. 13. The King to all Christian people. That Capt. Richard Quaile, in his intended voyage above mentioned might punish any of his crew mutinying, maligning, or conspiring, by martial law.

March 19. Copy of the same. [*See Vol. of Admiralty Collections, Dom. Eliz., end of* 1590, *fo.* 92 *b.*]

March 19. 14. Another copy of the same.

March 19. The same to the same. Letter requiring all neighbouring princes, allies, and friends to offer all good respects and assistance to Capt. Quaile employed in the Seahorse to range the river of the Amazons and all other the coasts and rivers of America. [*See Vol. of Admiralty Collections, Dom. Eliz., end of* 1590, *fo.* 94.]

[March 19 ?] 15. The same to the same. Instructions to Capt. Richard Quaile for his voyage above mentioned. He is to shape his course for the Red Sea or other eastern parts, and to make prize of all treasure, merchandize, and commodities of the King of Spain. If on his outward voyage he makes prize of any treasure not exceeding 10,000*l.*, he is not to disable his force to send it home, but to dispose of one third part thereof amongst himself and his company, and reserve the remainder for his Majesty.

March 19. Office of the Ordnance. 16. Officers of the Ordnance to the Lords of the Admiralty. Report on the petition of Cornelius Dreble and Abraham Kuffler (*see* 1630, *March* 13.) The writers explain the nature of the employment of the petitioners under the authority of a letter from the Council, of which a copy is inclosed, and state what payments had been made to them. On the return of the expedition from Rochelle, the captains of the leading ships and fire ships were questioned by the Council of War, and order made by them to forbear making out debentures for the remainder of the allowances. *Inclosed,*

16. I. *Order of Council for preparation of three extraordinary fire ships under directions of Colonel Peblis, and six engines for fire works according to directions of the Lord Admiral, with allowance of pay to the chief officers of the same fire ships and engines; among whom are Abraham Kuffler,* 20*s. per diem, and Cornelius Dreble,* 150*l. per month. Whitehall,* 1628, *July* 13.

March 19. From his house. 17. Sir Henry Marten to Sec. Dorchester. Concerning the rescue pretended by the Portugal owners, it is true that he used this qualified kind of phrase; viz.: It seemeth upon proof to fall out otherwise than was alleged by them. Further than this he would not enlarge, but for the pleasure of his Sovereign, which must overrule all formalities, therefore he signifies that he holds the allegation

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of rescue to be without ground of truth. The cause being to receive judgment next Wednesday, he begs that *interim* his declaration may not be communicated to any but his Majesty.

March 19. From his house. 18. Sir Henry Marten to Sec. Dorchester On behalf of Mr. Stringer, fellow of New College, Oxford, whereof the writer was once a member, who having lately been elected a proctor, his election is objected to on the ground that he is his Majesty's Greek reader in that university.

March 19. 19. Certificate of Sir Richard Sutton and George Bingley, that there was due to Thomas Chaworth, Lieutenant to Sir Francis Willoughby, for the expedition to Cadiz, 44*l.* 11*s.*, ending 24th July 1626, when he "transported" his place to Lieut. John Shepheard.

March 19. 20. Certificate of Capt. John Mason of the receipts of Margaret Chaworth on her husband's account.

March 20. Warrant to pay to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador Extraordinary to the States, 600*l.* for two chains of gold which his Majesty bestows on certain persons in those parts. [*Docquet.*]

March 20. The like to Endymion Porter, 78*l.*, which he paid by his Majesty's appointment to Monsr. Vandyck, of Antwerp, for a picture of the Story of Reynaldo and Armida. [*Docquet.*]

March 20. Whitehall. 21. The King to Attorney General Heath. Since the remain taken of the jewels in the Tower by a commission of 22 Dec. 1626, the King caused the same to be brought to Whitehall on the 5th June last, where he took a view of them and disposed of them according to the schedules annexed. The Attorney General is to prepare a bill containing a discharge to Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, James Maxwell, one of the Grooms of the Bedchamber, and George Bingley, Deputy Auditor of the Imprests. *Annexed,*

21. I. *List of jewels taken away by the King's own hands; among them, one large agate, graven with the picture of King Henry VIII. and Edward VI.*

21. II. *Similar list of jewels delivered to James Maxwell, and since sold by him by the King's appointment; among them, part of a collar of gold, being twelve pieces of goldsmith work, like Friars knots, set with* 91 *pearls, and three pendant pearls; two great half round pearls taken from the Mirror of Great Britain; a circlet of gold, new made for "our late dear mother, Queen Anne," having in the midst eight fair diamonds of divers sorts, eight fair rubies, eight emeralds, and eight sapphires, garnished with* 32 *small diamonds,* 32 *small rubies, and* 64 *pearls, fixed, and on each border* 32 *small diamonds and* 32 *small rubies, out of which circlet was taken* 5 *November* 1621, *one diamond to be disposed of at "our late dear father's pleasure," for which another is returned.*

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21. III. *Similar list of jewels set apart by the King's commandment for his use, and delivered to Spencer, Lord Compton, Gentleman of the Robes; among them, a jewel of gold, with the picture of the old King of Denmark, garnished with four small diamonds and a pear pearl pendant.*

21. IV. *Similar list of jewels set apart to be appraised and sold; among them, a collar of gold without stone, of the Order of St. Michael, containing 24 knots of gold and 24 knots of double scallop shells, having at the end of it St. Michael, hanging by two little chains; an old defaced jewel in a form of a pyramides, the best diamonds of which were taken out by Prince Henry for a jewel in fashion of a rose, given by the late King to the Lady Elizabeth, Electress Palatine; a jewel of gold in fashion of a Jesus, of old work, set with diamonds and two pearls pendant; and a collet of an old jewel in the fashion of the letter M.*

March 20. 22. Attorney General Heath to the King. Report on the case of William Kennedy, an alien, born in Scotland in the time of Queen Elizabeth, who died possessed of leaseholds and copyholds in England, all which, it is reported by the Attorney General, had escheated to the Crown. His widow and next of kin have petitioned his Majesty for grace, which must be left to the judgment of the King. *Underwritten,*

22. I. *Minute that the King bestows the leases and copyholds on the poor widow, and the Attorney General is to prepare a book accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 30.

March 20. 23. Petition of Thomas Thornhill, saltpetre maker for London, to the Commissioners for Saltpetre and Powder. Complains of the practice of Hugh Grove, by which petitioner was left out of the last Commissions for London, and is now sued for 24*l.* per annum, and also for not delivering saltpetre. Prays a hearing, and the discharge of Grove's unjust suits. *Underwritten,*

23. I. *Reference to Sir William Russell, Sir Kenelm Digby, and Sir John Wolstenholme to certify what they conceive to be just. Whitehall,* 1630, *April* 17.

March 20. 24. Petition of Henry West, late Captain in the Transport, of London, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has a small Biscay prize at Waterford. Prays that he may be permitted to bring the same to Minehead, for better sale of her cargo of pitch and rosin.

March 20. Dover. 25. Mayor of Dover to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports. Persons arrived from Calais affirm that Mr. Garnier, husband of the Queen's nurse, and her Majesty's dwarf with four women, one of them to be the Queen's midwife, were all taken by the Dunkirkers, and carried into Gravelines on

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Thursday last. The dwarf had at least 2,000*l.* in jewels, and a waggon load of rich goods.

March 20. Offley. 26. Jo. Spencer to Wm. Earl of Salisbury. Has searched for the writings for his cousin Carleton, but cannot find them. Will make as near a search as possible.

March 20. Whitehall. William Boswell and Francis Morice to [George] Bingley, [one of the Auditors of the Imprests]. By a petition and his own note, which the bearer will shew him, 56*l.* is charged upon Capt. Mostyn, deceased. Pray him to peruse Sir Thos. Love's accounts, to see what is the evidence of the payment to Capt. Mostyn. [*See* 1629, *Dec.* 4. *Vol.* cliii., *No.* 18, *fo.* 22].

March 20. 27. Numbers and kinds of documents on which payments were made by the Hanaper to the Signet and Privy Seal, from 1559 to 1567.

March 21. Westminster. 28. The King to Bishop Bridgman of Chester. Having resolved upon a course for composition with recusants, and committed the same to the President of the North, the Bishop is to cause the parsons of every parish to acquaint him with the true values of lands of recusants within their charges, so that he may report the same to York before Trinity Sunday next, with a view to which service his residence in the meantime at Chester is dispensed with, and he is permitted to reside at Wiggen [Wigan]. [*Copy.*]

March 21. Hinton St. George. 29. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. Desired Sir Edmund Prideaux, the writer's brother, to be the Sec.'s deputy, and named his little servant, Elizabeth. Thanks for the great present he sent her. Is glad to hear that his house is threatened with a mistress, one of long acquaintance with the writer, though discontinued. He has reason to value her person above her estate, though it be very great. Lady Poulett advises him not to suffer the business to hang in the air too long.

March 21. 30. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. Recommends Francis Kitchin as gunner for the Fortune, pink.

March 22. 31. Paper of business to be transacted at the Council of War this day.

March 22. 32. Petition of Thomas Hilliard, a saltpetreman in the West parts, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Petitioner and Hugh Newall, his servant, on complaint of Mr. Bond and others of co. Wilts., were fetched up by the messenger attendant, and have these three weeks waited in town. Pray that they may be admitted to answer or allowed to go into the country.

March 22. Mitton. 33. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Details of leases and arrangements with the Lord President's tenantry in Warwickshire.

March 22. Mitton. 34. The same to Wm. Weld. Other explanations on the subjects treated of in the preceding letter.

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March 22. King's College, Cambridge. 35. Provost and Fellows of King's College, Cambridge, to Sec. Dorchester. Are sorry that their actions have been misconstrued to his Majesty concerning a lease to Dr. Smithson. Having been set right by their visitor, the Bishop of Lincoln, they have cheerfully submitted to his Majesty's pleasure. Beg him to explain to the King their clear intention.

March 22. Apthorpe. 36. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to the same. Complains of the conduct of Capt. Slauter and other servants of the Earl of Newport, in preventing her son following a hare in Fotheringay Park. Her son asserts that a letter written by him to the earl was merely in fair terms to know if he justified his servants, but mothers are apt to be deluded in such cases, and she is afraid that he intends a duel.

March 22. 37. Sir Guilford Slingsby to Nicholas. To assist Francis Kitchin to procure the appointment of gunner of the Fortune, pink.

March 23. Twickenham. 38. Elizabeth Countess of Banbury to Sec. Dorchester. Will do him all the service she can. Lord Vaux will be there on the morrow. Will send one to Sir George Symonds. Hears he has tied himself on a forfeit of 100*l.* if the bargain goes not on.

March 23. Whitehall. 39. Wm. Earl of Pembroke to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a bill for the next canon's place in Christchurch, Oxon, to be granted to John Morris, M.A., Hebrew professor in that university and one of his Majesty's chaplains. The same to be granted in reversion and to descend to the Hebrew readers for ever, in like manner as a canon's place in the same church was formerly annexed to the King's professor of Divinity.

March 23. His lodging. 40. Thos. Bond to Nicholas. Understands that the Lords of the Admiralty have referred the collection of the proofs against the saltpetremen to two knights, to which the writer and other complainants humbly submit. Hears that the saltpetremen make their vaunts that they will get their liberty and carry themselves in the country as formerly. Is sorry that his diligence in attending such a business could not bring it to better perfection. If the saltpetremen go down without redress of wrongs it will strike despair into the heart of the country. Suggests that the Solicitor General, or one of the King's serjeants should be joined in the reference to Sir Wm. Russell, &c.

March 23. 41. Sir Francis Willoughby to Francis Morice. Sends the other certificate concerning that ill-tongued creature, Chaworth's wife. *Annexed,*

41. I. *Copy by Capt. John Mason of Margaret Chaworth's receipt for* 22*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* 1629, *July* 17.

March 23. 42. Assignment by Henry Lane, son of Sir William Lane, deceased, to John Ansell of 64*l.*, parcel of 720*l.* arrears of 160*l.* per annum granted by the late King to Sir William Lane during the

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recusancy of William Copley of Gatton, co. Surrey, and since confirmed to Henry Lane by the present King. [*Copy.*]

March 24. 43. Petition of James Macdougall to the King. On the motion of James Huitly, petitioner's uncle and late the King's servant, the King remitted the fine of John Maud, a carrier, who for rash words was fined in the Star Chamber, for which Huitly was to receive 100*l.*, but the poverty of the carrier was such that he could not provide the same, whereupon the business was not perfected and Huitly died. Petitioner prays that Maud may now be released and that he may receive the 100*l.* *Underwritten,*

43. I. *Reference to the Lord Keeper to enlarge Maud, and give directions to the Attorney General to prepare his pardon. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 24.

43. II. *Lord Keeper Coventry to Attorney General Heath. He has enlarged Maud, and prays the Attorney General to prepare his pardon.* 1630, *April* 20.

March 24. 44. Sir Henry Marten to Sec. Dorchester. Our men-of-war meeting French ships at sea laden with ammunition bound for Spain, knowing the favourable inclination of our state towards the French, daily consent for restitution to be made. The Virgin of Bristol having taken a French ship, the St. Christopher, yielded to restitution, but the writer propounding to the owner that he should give caution to repay the value if our ships were not restored in France, he refused the same with indignation and departed with threatening words. Prays the Sec.'s direction.

March 24. Feering. 45. Dr. Robt. Aylett to Bishop Laud. Was yesterday at Chelmsford lecture, where Mr. Browning of Rayleigh read the whole service both first and second in hood and surplice and made a sermon accommodate to the time and occasion. The clergy who heard it desire it may be printed. Now the wheels be set agoing, if the people be followed in this kind they will be as pliable to order as they have been violently against it.

March 25. Whitehall. 46. Petition of Michael Andrewes to the King. The late King granted him 1,000*l.* out of arrears of a subsidy detained in Wales. 800*l.* has been brought in and 200*l.* more to be brought in. In lieu of such arrears prays a grant of lands of the Duchy of Lancaster of 40*l.* per annum for 41 years in reversion of the present estates. *Underwritten,*

46. I. *Reference to the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster to consider the petition. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 25.

March 25. 47. Francis Earl of Bedford and Henry Cary to the Council. In reply to a letter wherein they were required to cleanse and make passable the way called Long Acre. That way was of late years by their predecessors laid out of their lands adjoining in hope to procure fair and spacious buildings to be there erected, and for that purpose they granted long leases. But by reason of his Majesty's

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and his father's proclamations for restraint of building, the tenants have made small benefit and the charge of repairing the way is so great that the tenants are unable to undergo it. Request them to think of some other way of amending the same. If the King will give them leave to build they will pave and keep it as well as any other street in London.

March 25. 48. Petition of John Vicars, parson of St. Mary, in Stamford, co. Lincoln, to the Council. On 17th February last, on the accusation of Robert Newton, clerk, petitioner was bound not to depart the town. Being referred to a legal trial and having entered into bond for his appearance, he prays that he may be discharged from his former bond. *Underwritten,*

48. I. *Report of the Attorney General on the above petition. If Mr. Vicars have put in security to answer the matters objected against him in the High Commission Court, it is very reasonable that he be discharged from his attendance on the Council.* 1630, *March* 25.

March 26. 49. Wm. Burrell and Phineas Pett to Mr. Goddard. That Joseph Pett should be appointed carpenter of the Antelope.

[March 26 ?] 50. [The same ?] to the Lords of the Admiralty. Have agreed upon every particular work formerly intended to be done to his Majesty's ships, and send a contract for performing the same, leaving it to them to confirm the same or otherwise. [*Unsigned.*] *Annexed,*

50. I. *Agreement between Wm. Burrell and Phineas Pett of the one part, and Henry Goddard of the other part, for repair of the ships therein mentioned. Made* 1630, *March* 25.

March 27. 51. Petition of Sir Kenelm Digby and Sir Edward Stradling to the King, for a licence for each of them to build a house with stables and coach-houses in Old Witch Close, bought of Richard Holford, and lying on the east side of Drury Lane, towards Lincoln's Inn. *Underwritten,*

51. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to draw the solicited licence. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 27.

March 29. Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 52. Certificate of the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle-upon-Tyne to the Council, of their proceedings in the conservancy of the River Tyne, from Michaelmas 1629 to Easter 1630.

March 29. Bedford H[ouse]. 53. Francis Earl of Bedford to the same. Sends a clear, and as he conceives satisfactory, answer to their letter respecting a constant contribution to the muster master for co. Devon. *Incloses,*

53. I. *Dep. Lieuts. co. Devon to Francis Earl of Bedford, Lord Lieutenant. Their muster master has been a soldier in the Low Countries, and before that in the wars in Ireland. His recompence has been* 100 *marks by year, levied by way of rate. They have of late found some*

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difficulty by the backwardness of some particulars, but they hope the charge at these assizes of "the reverend "Lord Chief Justice" will remove further complaint. Exeter, 1630, *March* 18.

March 29. Poultry Compter. 54. Anthony Crosier to Nicholas. Intreats that he may be employed in the ships now setting forth. Doubts not he shall suddenly receive his liberty, whereof he is debarred by a cruel adversary, as by Sir Robert Heath's letters he may perceive.

March 30. 55. Petition of John Bruckshaw to the King. Has found a fountain or spring of water issuing from a high rock adjacent to the sea, in the western part of the kingdom, which cures many diseases far beyond any known bath in the kingdom. It lies between high water and low water mark. Prays licence to make a wall between the spring and the sea, and to search and dig in the rocks for minerals. *Underwritten,*

55. 1. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a lease of the premises, with licence to make the wall and to dig for minerals. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 30.

March 30. 56. Petition of Jeffery Le Neve, the King's servant, to the same. The inhabitants of Yarmouth have yearly obtained an order for the exportation of 600 lasts of herrings in strangers' bottoms, which order was evaded, the herrings being merely sold to strangers who exported them in their own ships. In 1624 and some other years, the Council made a stay of granting the order for export, whereupon the town sold the herrings to strangers who put them aboard English ships, and as soon as they went out to sea transferred them into strangers' ships. Prays licence to export 600 lasts of herrings in strangers' bottoms for 21 years at 50*l.* per annum. *Underwritten,*

56. 1. *Reference to the Council. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 30.

March 30. Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 57. Capt. Thomas March to Nicholas. In that harbour is a great fleet of betwixt two and three hundred sail of brave ships, the greatest part of them unrigged, and in expectation of wafters. Is persuaded in his conscience if his Majesty did know but half what the writer has seen, he would not suffer the daring enemy so to domineer upon his shores. There are two great ships of 30 brass pieces, that keep this part of the world in awe. Solicits allowance of a bill of 37*l.* 14*s.* 9*d.* for emptions, and permission to exchange four of the guns in his ship, the Fourth Whelp, for four which have been lent to King's Lynn.

March 30. Nicholas to Sir Henry Mervyn. The Lord Treasurer understanding that Sir Henry's ship, and the rest appointed to waft the colliers from Newcastle, are still at Lee or Tilbury, has commanded Nicholas to signify the command of the Lords of the Admiralty that he presently put to sea. The cry of the people of London for want of coals is very great. They have been with great clamour and noise to the Lords. Hears Capt. Gibbon, without leave, is come to town. If he suffers captains to abandon their ships at their

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pleasure, the Lords will think he carries no command among them. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 82.]

March 31. 58. Petition of Jean Poincteau to the King. Petitioner is a son of the celebrated jurisconsult John Poincteau, who was a native of St. Andrews in Scotland, but died in France, after having long professed letters in Paris, Saumur, and at Angiers, where petitioner was born. Being desirous to see the place of his forefathers he prays permission to pass and repass to the same and to show and distribute to the public certain remedies of his invention. French. *Underwritten,*

58. I. *Reference to Mons. de Mayerne, the King's principal physician. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 31. *Fr.*

58. II. *Report of Sir Theodore Mayerne. The petitioner having been by profession a mountebank, both in France and England, was last year sent from Hampton Court to the College of Physicians of London, by whom his remedies were rejected. His petition should be refused, and if he persists in asserting the excellence of his medicines he should prepare them in the presence of persons skilled in the art. London,* 1630, *April* 1. *Fr.*

March 31. 59. Petition of the merchants of York, Hull, and Newcastle, to the Council. Sir Henry Mervyn having been appointed to convoy the coal ships lying ready at Newcastle, they pray that he may also take into his guardianship petitioners' ships laden with cloth at Newcastle and bound for the Eastlands, and bring them to the Humber.

March 31. Battersea. 60. Oliver Viscount Grandison to Lord President Conway. The order they made on the King's reference to them of Capt. Franck's complaint against John Wells is despised. Wishes Wells laid by the heels. Whatsoever he will do farther therein the writer will join with him.

March 31. Combermere. 61. Geo. Cotton to Lord Keeper Coventry. Sends informations respecting certain fearfully ill-advised words concerning the King spoken by one Hall, a tailor, on his late return from London. The first raiser of the report is John Deueres, and from him his brother Robert Parsons, of the very lowest and basest rank and conversation.

[March ?] 62. Petition of George Gardner, prosecutor on the King's behalf of the business respecting exacted fees in the Fleet prison, to the King. The Deputy Warden having debarred the petitioner from coming into the Fleet to confer with witnesses, and put such witnesses as have already given evidence "from the charity," the Attorney General and the Commissioners for exacted fees ordered that the witnesses, John Cranfield, William Elinott and Ellen Underwood, should be re-admitted to the charity, and that the petitioner should have free access into the Fleet, but the Deputy Warden contemns the said order. Prays that these abuses may be examined.

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[March ?] 64. Petition of Thomasine Clee, widow of Thomas Clee, to the same. Sir Allen Apsley contracted with petitioner's husband to brew for his Majesty's service at sea, beer to the value of 1,998*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* ; 798*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* remains due and she can obtain nothing from Sir Allen but delays and harsh language. Prays them to send for Sir Allen, and cause him to make payment or give her security for payment at reasonable times, in respect that Sir Allen is weak.

[March ?] 65. Petition of the bailiffs of Yarmouth and Southwold, together with the herring fishermen in those parts, to the same. In the last season the Council granted two ships as a convoy during the fishing, the fishermen supplying them with victuals for the time. The persons under-mentioned refuse to pay their contribution to the said charge. Pray them to send a warrant for such refractory persons.

[March ?] 66. Petition of Thomas Swan, John Ramsden, Richard Rakes, Henry Thompson, William Matthews, and other merchants of York and Hull, to the same. Their factors, without the knowledge of petitioners, having bought about 500 tons of French wines in Holland in ignorance of any restraint, they pray permission to land the same. [*Underwritten is a note from Thomas Paramore to John Dickinson that "my Lord" gives way for the dispatch of the above petition.*]

[March ?] 67. Petition of John Cowse and Gilbert Sweet, of Exeter, merchants, to the Council. A bark set forth by petitioners to Newfoundland in March last, on its return from Birdews [Bordeaux] in France, was laden with wines, which are not permitted to be landed at Exeter. Having been ignorant of the restraint, they pray to be permitted to land and sell their wines.

[March ?] 68. Petition of John Woolridge, prisoner in the Fleet, to the Lord Keeper and the rest of the Council. Petitioner on the 14th February last was sentenced in the Star Chamber, at the suit of the Attorney General, to pay a fine of 200*l.* to the King, and to stand committed to the Fleet. Acknowledges his sentence to be most honorable, but prays them to commiserate his distress and mitigate his fine. [*Some contemporary has written on this petition, "Fiat Justitia, currat Lex, et vivat Rex."*]

[March ?] 69. Chevalier de Bois Gaudry to Lord President Conway. The priest "Mildechaif" goes daily to confer, at the house of Sir Thos. Wolseley, with Sir Robert Wolseley and John Giffard and others,

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who have presented a request to the Queen, the contents of which he cannot learn. Offers sent to the writer by Sir Robert Wolseley, that if he would be friends with Sir Robert he would do wonders for him. Protests that his honour is dearer to him than all the riches of the world. French.

March. 70. G. Calandrini to Lord President Conway. On his Lordship's reference of a petition of Capt. Killigrew's officers, has conferred with the Captain, who will satisfy his Lordship of what is due to them.

[March ?] 71. Petition of Capt. Stephen Rout to Lord Treasurer Weston. In the service to Rochelle went captain of the mine ship, called the Anthony, of London. Is behind 150*l.* for his service. Prays that the Treasurer would be pleased to spare him some money until he may receive his pay.

[March ?] 72. Petition of John Glover and George Drinkell, officers of the Knight Marshal, to William Earl of Pembroke, Lord Steward. Thomas Eden brought to the petitioners a writ to arrest Thomas Dawson, which they executed. Capt. Allen, master of Dawson, has complained to the Council because Dawson, as is said, is employed in his Majesty's service, which was unknown to petitioners. Pray for their discharge.

[March ?] 73. Petition of Anne Broome, widow of Robert Broome, one of his Majesty's Trumpeters, to Philip Earl of Montgomery, Lord Chamberlain. Petitioner's husband gave 50*l.* to the widow of John Smith, his predecessor, notwithstanding he, through the excellency of his skill in that art, won the same from the rest that stood for it. Has left petitioner and three children much in debt and in extreme want and misery. Prays that her husband's successor may give a proportionable sum for their relief.

[March ?] 74. Petition of Mary Whitehead, widow of Capt. James Whitehead, deceased, to Sec. Dorchester. Ever since the loss of her husband with the Sixth Whelp in his return from Rochelle she has been a suitor for the entertainment due to him, but being a stranger, far from her friends and unacquainted with the proceedings of this country, she has been very much turmoiled and unable to procure the 106*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* due. Prays him to stand her friend with the Lord Treasurer.

[March ?] 75. Petition of Henry Davis, one of the forty Messengers of the Chamber in ordinary, to the same. Was appointed to wait on Sir Francis Cottington in Spain, and was employed twice in post overland with packets. In his last dispatch was stopped at Burgos, by a decree of the King of Spain that no foreign correo should come near the Court, "by reason of the suspicion of the powder della Peste." Finding that the post of Don Carlos de Coloma was likewise stopped, and had given 12*l.* for carriage of his letters to Madrid, petitioner was forced to pay the like sum, and was detained with Don Carlos's

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correo for 28 days, before he could get to Cottington at Madrid. Prays payment of 30*l.*, his expenses on that occasion.

[March ?] 76. Sir James Spence to Sec. Dorchester. Requests him to assist Capt. Caswell, who has raised a company of foot for the service of the King of Sweden, and is to depart to that service, in procuring payment of his arrears, being about 160*l.*

[March ?] 77. Anne Sackvill to the same. Intreats him to show Sir Thos. Gardyner's letter to the King on behalf of her brother, and to urge his request on the ground of services done to the late and present King by Sir Thos. Gardyner, Sir Robert Johnson, and Edward his son.

[March ?] 78. Vice-Chancellor and Heads of Colleges in Cambridge to Henry Earl of Holland, Chancellor of the University. On behalf of Dr. Beale, still groaning under his disfavour. If it be not an honour to pass by his offences, yet it were no dishonour to vouchsafe him opportunity of access to submit to his mercy.

[March ?] 79. Copy of the same.

March. 80. Charges brought by Sir Edward Dering against Wm. Jones, clerk of the passage at Dover. They are; that he did not keep a proper register; that he allowed women and children to pass without licenses; that he offered passes to men of quality, befriended priests, and entered in his book a pretended order from Sir Edward in the instance of one John Rowe.

March. 81. Answers of Wm. Jones to the foregoing charges. The facts asserted are for the most part denied.

March. 82. Note of prisoners in the Gatehouse: John St. John, *alias* Everard; Daniel Guest, and Cornelius Ward, the first committed by the Council, the others by the Secretaries of State.

March. 83. Note of goods brought into Plymouth in the prize the Lady of Nazareth.

[March ?] 84. Names of the poor inhabitants of the parish of St. Swithin, near London Stone.

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April 1. Lords of the Admiralty to Sir Thomas Button, captain of the Ninth Lion's Whelp. Instructions to take charge as admiral of the Ninth and Fifth Lion's Whelps, and to repair to the coast of Ireland, St. George's Channel, and the Severn, for defence of traders, and especially of such merchants as use to trade to the fairs at Bristol

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at St. James's and St. Paul's tide. He is to ply between Scilly, Cape Clear, and Milford, making Kinsale his place of rendezvous. [*Copy. See Vol.* clvii., *fo.* 108 *b.*]

April 1. 1. Receipt of John Clarke, by appointment of Sir John Finch, her Majesty's Attorney General, for the particulars and rates for the Queen's jointure of 17,915*l.* from John Blythe, servant to Attorney General Heath.

April 2. 2. Order of Council. The Company of Wiremakers at Tintern and Whitbrook, co. Monmouth, having petitioned for a proclamation to prohibit the importing of foreign iron wire and wool cards, the same was referred to the Lord Treasurer, Lord Privy Seal, Earl Marshal, Secs. Dorchester and Coke.

April 2. From his house. 3. Sir Henry Marten to Sec. Dorchester. Reminds him that the Devise de Sables d'Olonne had been adjudged good prize and the sentence confirmed on appeal.

April 3. 4. Minutes by Nicholas of answers to several petitions to the Board of Admiralty; among them petitions from Burlamachi for two Calais ships (*see* 1630, *March* 14, *Vol.* clxii. *No.* 85) refused; the Cooks of the King's ships; petitions of Farlow, Thornhill, and Ramsey, William Crosse (*see* 1630, *April* 4, *No.* 6); Capt. Merrick, Nicholas Brant, John More, and others.

April 3. 5. Estimate for setting to sea the Garland, the Fourth Whelp, and the Great Seahorse, as also for victuals and wages of 20 extraordinary men at the Barricado at Chatham; total 3,566*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

April 4. 6. Petition of Wm. Crosse to the Lords of the Admiralty. Was preacher to the company of the Nonsuch in the last expedition to Rochelle, and according to the allowance of a groat a month out of every seaman's pay, there was due to him 31*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, of which he had received only 15*l.*, the rest being detained by Sir Sackville Crow or his man John Short. Prays redress.

April 4. Serjeant's Inn. 7. Sir Thomas Richardson, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, to the King. Relates the circumstances of the trial of Thomas Packington, at Winchester, for killing two brothers, Richard Harfield and Thomas Harfield, who interfered with his falconer, Paul Baylie, when out with his master, "hawking at the pheasant," in some woods of Sir Henry Mildmay. There was a scuffle between the falconer and the deceased, in which Packington interfered with a stake pulled out of a hedge. He was found guilty of manslaughter in each case. He was allowed his clergy for the first conviction, and was respited on the other in obedience to a letter from Sec. Dorchester.

April 4. Serjeant's Inn. 8. The same to Sec. Dorchester. Sends the above letter, and begs him to be a means that it may be accepted according to the sincerity of the writer's intentions.

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Bordeaux.

9. Capt. John Dymes to Sec. Dorchester. At this place has seen so many good ships of the King of France's navy, that unless he had been an eye witness thereof he should hardly have believed that in so short a time that King could have been so strong in shipping. Has seen 40 ships of good force, besides pataches, but there is no appearance of any naval preparation. Desires to see what ships that King has in the Mediterranean, but unless he can get some supply of money must return home.

April 4.
The Tower.

10. Sir Allen Apsley to Nicholas. Divers parcels of beer transported from London to Portsmouth had proved defective, whereupon Sir Allen was enforced to provide other beer suddenly. The freight he intended to pay was for serviceable beer; this being stinking, the brewers ought to pay the freight, and well for them they were not imprisoned and fined, as in the like case in the Island Voyage in Queen Elizabeth's time.

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11. Petition of Jean Poincteau to the King, similar to that presented on 31 March 1630, (*see Vol.* clxiii., *No.* 58), with the addition that his medicines had been examined by the College of Physicians, who had given him permission to sell his antidote against all poison, and his balm for recent wounds, which since October he had disposed of with great success in London, Oxford, and Norwich. Prays a pass for Scotland, with permission to sell his medicines for two months in every town going and coming. French. *Underwritten,*

11. I. *His Majesty, being careful of the health as of the wealth of his people, refers the petitioner to the College of Physicians of London. Whitehall,* 1630, *April* 5.

11. II. *Report of the College of Physicians that they had examined his antidote and balm, and should no way hinder him from obtaining his Majesty's favour.* 1630, *April* 7.

11. III. *Further reference to Sir Theodore Mayerne and Doctor Lester, the King's physicians. Whitehall,* 1630, *April* 16.

April 5.
Yarmouth Roads; on board the Reformation.

12. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. On 3rd set sail from Lee road. Took a Dunkirker off Orfordness of 40 tons, on brass base 14 muskets, and 40 proper men, one an Englishmen, who was their pilot, whom he will bring to Wapping on his return, the rest he will deliver to the bailiffs of Yarmouth, to be sent from tithing to tithing to London, whence they may be shipped away. At Yarmouth there are 150 fishermen and others bound to the northward. With the next wind they shall set sail.

April 5.
—— ipswer.

13. Sir Richard Catchmay to Lord President Conway. Acquaints him with the insolences of George Roche, for whom the Lord President procured a pardon for killing one Johnes, a bailiff, in the discharge of his duty. By money and friends, by the coroners in-

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quest, and great inquest, it was found but manslaughter, for which Judge Doderidge fined the coroner and reproved the inquest. Roche ill-treats the brother and friends of Johnes, and with suits and troubles afflicts others. Prays leave that an appeal may be sued out against him.

April 5. 14. Report of Archbishop Abbot to the King. Gives account of his examination into the circumstances of the appointment and removal of Alexander Udney, B.D., and one of the King's chaplains, who had been lecturer at Ashford, co. Kent. The Vicar of Ashford is reported to have the outside of a man and little more; for ignorance, he has sufficient for any one person; for indiscretion, enough for the clergy of a whole diocese; and thereby running into contempt of his people, who being about 800 communicants, most of them understanding men, well read in the Scriptures, desired to have assigned to them some learned conformable man who might teach them the way to heaven: they paying their minister all his dues, and entertaining a lecturer or coadjutor.

April 5. 15. Examination of George Strettley, George Cutler, and Richard Poole, respecting the description of a person who calling a porter from the bench adjoining the church of St. Lawrence in Cateaton Street, was answered by George Strettley, to whom he delivered a letter, directed to Mr. John Cordwell of Lad Lane, together with four farthings for his hire; and having delivered the letter cast his cloak over his shoulder and went his way.

April 5. 16. Copy of the same.

April 6. Proclamation for better ordering those who repair to the Court for cure of their disease called the king's evil. The usual times of presenting such persons had been Easter and Whitsuntide. From henceforth they were to be Easter and Michaelmas, as times more convenient, both for the temperature of the season and in respect of any contagion which may happen in this near access to his Majesty's person. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 120.]

April 6. Shrewsbury. 17. Justices of co. Salop to the Council. They cannot find that Edward Taylor, sent to them as a well-deserving soldier for a pension, is qualified as by law required.

April 6. Devizes, at the Quarter Sessions. 18. Justices of co. Wilts to the same. Respecting pensions directed to be granted to John Knowles, a Lieutenant, and John Tompkins, they return that there are already more pensions granted to soldiers and officers than all the receipts for the county, according to the statute, amount to.

April 6. Haverford. 19. Justices of co. Pembroke to the same. On a former petition it was ordered that the weighing and uttering of wools should be drawn to the towns of Haverfordwest, Pembroke, and Tenby, where standard weights remain. This regulation being disregarded by foreign buyers, who buy in obscure places by unreasonable and

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unlawful weights, they pray that the former order may be enforced by some penalty.

April 6. 20. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Referred the petition of Thomas Askew, late master of the Fortune, prize, and his company, to the Master and Wardens of the Trinity House, to certify what burthen and force the Dunkirker was that took the petitioners, and through whose fault, with their opinion for what time they ought to be paid. *Inclose,*

20. I. *Master and Wardens of Trinity House to the Officers of the Navy. The Dunkirk ship that took the Fortune was of* 300 *tons,* 24 *pieces of ordnance, and* 160 *men; a brave and gallant ship, which came upon them as a lion. The poor men should receive wages from the time they were entertained to the day of their landing in England from Dunkirk.*

April 6. Newbury. 21. Order of a General Quarter Sessions for co. Berks. The rates and payments within the Hundred of Cookham shall continue as anciently they have been paid.

April 6. 22. Bill of charges against William Mellow in reference to a claim made at Leghorn for damage done to certain hides which had come in the Prudence from Constantinople, with receipt of Wm. Beare.

April 7. Bangor. 23. Bishop Bayly of Bangor to the King. In reply to accusations of negligence in the government of his see, and especially of having admitted divers persons into the ministry without subscription to the orders of the church. Vindicates his general care in reference to ordination and subscription, but finds lately that some three or four ministers who do not reside within his diocese, by the neglect of his chaplains, escaped without subscribing. Protests that hereafter he will keep his book of subscriptions himself. Has expended 600*l.* in repair of his cathedral; has planted grave and learned preachers over all his diocese, three or four preaching ministers for one he found; has taken care that catechising be duly observed; has suffered none to preach but such as are conformable, and has preached himself every Sunday until he became impotent. He and his clergy have provided armour for 100 men ready for the King's service. He takes pains in visiting, confirming, and keeping synods where all his clergy give him an account of every man's life and doctrine. Keeps hospitality above his means, and all his actions tend to the well governing of his diocese.

April 7. Yarmouth Road. 24. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Has delivered to the custody of the bailiffs of Yarmouth the 40 Dunkirkers taken between Orfordness and Aldborough. Begs that the Lords will give present order for their discharge, lest many of our nation receive hard measure for the sufferance of some few. Wishes the Lord Treasurer would fit up the Dunkirker taken with 20 or 25 men and five or six brass bases. She may do extraordinary good service. Joy and

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comfort of the people at his appearance, and his desire to do service either in honour or profit. *Incloses,*

24. I. *Sir Henry Mervyn to the bailiffs of Yarmouth. Warrant to receive the forty Dunkirkers above mentioned, to be imprisoned or convoyed from tithing to tithing to London. Yarmouth Road,* 1630, *April* 7. [*Copy.*]

April 7. 25. Bill for services and disbursements of Sir John Finet, Master of the Ceremonies, for attendance upon Ambassadors from 2 Nov. 1629, to this day; total 105*l.* 5*s.*

April 8. 26. Clerk of the Peace for co. Gloucester to the Council. Cannot certify the names of the collectors of the money gathered seven or eight years since for defence of the Palatinate, but reports who were the Justices who undertook the charge in the several divisions of the county.

April 8. The Tower. 27. Walter Long to Sec. Dorchester. About two months since he presented to his Majesty a petition declaring that on the censure given against the writer in the Star Chamber, being made sensible of his Majesty's displeasure, he did cast himself at his feet desiring to be made an object of his clemency. Desires his mediation with the King to obtain a gracious answer.

April 8. 28. Brief of Capt. Quaile's demand for victualling the Great Seahorse with 42 men for 18 months.

April 8. 29. Certificate of Wm. Cooke of the sufficiency of Richard Seawell to be master of any of his Majesty's pinnaces.

April 8. 30. Certificate of the Clerk of the Peace for co. Oxon, that the money collected for recovery of the Palatinate, not having been called for, was returned by the constables to the contributors.

April 9. Bristol. 31. Capt. Wm. Thomas to his uncle Sir Thomas Button. Demanded possession of the Ninth Whelp of Capt. [Dawtry] Cooper. He will deliver it to none but Sir Thomas himself, according to the Lords' order. Cooper is in desperate case and had as lief lose his life as the ship.

April 10. 32. Petition of [person unnamed] to the King. About seven years since, to give content to the French Ambassador, petitioner was suspended from his employment and imprisoned. About six years since he cleared himself before the Commissioners of the Admiralty. His sufferings, which were for reasons of state, were taken notice of by the late Duke, and the present King promised reparation and appointed Endymion Porter to be his remembrancer. There is due to him for his entertainment and disbursements about 4,000*l.*, the want whereof has driven him to contract so many debts that he is at the very height of misery and ready to perish. Prays for a grant of the St. Claude at a valuation. *Underwritten,*

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32. 1. *The King bestows the St. Claude on petitioner, and refers to the Lords of the Admiralty to give order therein. Whitehall,* 1630, *April* 10.

April 10. Exeter. 33. Mayor and others of Exeter to the Council. The merchants of that city trading to France having been long incorporate, have been authorized by mutual consent to lay certain petty taxes on the merchandize sent and returned between that city and France. Complain that Thomas Crossing, Francis Crossing, and John Tayler, of that town, and Richard Harvie and others of Lyme Regis, refuse to pay the same. Pray that they may be ordered to do so.

April 10. 34. Mayor of Newcastle-upon-Tyne to the same. On receipt of their letter for the delivery of Francis Berry, a prisoner in the gaol there, he called one Thomas Berry, whom he supposed to be the man. Having tendered to him the oath of allegiance he obstinately refused to take it, so that he remains still in gaol.

April 10. 35. Certificate of Simon Muskett and Richard Lowther to the Council, as to the circumstances of two cases of plague which had recently occurred in two separate parts of the city of London. The persons affected were servants who were sent forth by their masters full of the tokens and died shortly afterwards.

April 10. 36. Petition of Francis Bassett, Vice-Admiral of the North of Cornwall, to the Council. Repeats the circumstances detailed in his letter of 1630, March 16 (*Vol.* clxiii., *No.* 3), and that on the security of a gentleman of those parts the writer freed Capt. Regnold and his ship, which was thereupon sold by him with her goods. Of which doings petitioner sent an account by Capt. Regnold, who kept back the letter and suggested that his ship and goods were still detained, although they had been restored and sold. Whereupon, and on new complaint petitioner was ordered to attend their Lordships. He received the order on Sunday the 4th instant, in Cornwall, and now attends. He prays that Capt. Regnold, with Thomas Littleton and others, at whose suit the ship was stayed, may be called before their Lordships, and if petitioner has not offended, that he may have recompense.

April 10. 37. Rough minutes of business transacted by the Council of War this day.

April 10. Mincing Lane. 38. Officers of the Navy to Nicholas. Twenty unserviceable shipkeepers have been discharged at Chatham and 20 ropemakers placed in their rooms. Set forth the advantages of this course, and request a warrant for the same.

April 10. Exeter. 39. Mayor of Exeter to the same. The Dunkirkers are at present so many that there is no ship can escape them. If there be not speedy course taken for their suppressing, the merchants will be undone. The merchants have sent the bearer with a petition. P. S. Understands some ships are gone forth. Prays that they may keep about the Start and Torbay.

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April 10. 40. Articles objected by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners against Charles Chauncey, Vicar of Ware, co. Hertford. The offences charged are the omission of Athanasius's Creed, the Lesson from the Old Testament, the Litany, the surplice, the cross in Baptism, and the exhortation in Matrimony, "With my body I thee worship," with various speeches in the pulpit and elsewhere, in praise of the Puritans, in disparagement of the authority of the church, and in anticipation of changes likely to ensue in church and state, in expectation whereof he asserted that some families were preparing to go to New England.

April 11. 41. The King to the University of Oxford. Upon the loss of a noble and faithful servant, and they of a worthy Chancellor, by the decease of the Earl of Pembroke, the King recommends to them Lord Weston, the Lord Treasurer, to succeed the Earl, he being fitted by nearness to the King, and affection to scholars. Their affairs brought to the King through him would be embraced much the more willingly for his sake. [*Draft.*]

April 11. Denmark House. 42. The same to the Keeper of the Clink. On the 24th March last, the King's pleasure was declared that at the instance of the Queen, and in regard of the peace between the two Crowns, the priests undernamed should be delivered to the Marquis de Chateauneuf, Ambassador Extraordinary from the French King. All those persons having been brought to the Clink, he is to deliver the same to the Ambassador, or to such persons as he shall appoint. Sixteen names are underwritten: among them are John Dally, Cornelius Crawley, John Southworth, Richard Salvin, Brian Medcalf.

April 11. 43. Petition of Edmund Foreman to the Lords of the Admiralty. Recapitulates his services as boatswain in the Miniken, ketch, where he was at the taking of divers prizes, and in the Judith, ketch, commanded above bridge, for an experiment to be made before the King by Sir Alexander Napper. Prays that he may be appointed boatswain of the Fortune, pink.

April 12. Whitehall. 44. Order of the King on the petition of Eliza Viscountess Falkland. She had represented her extreme wants, and the refusal of her husband, either to receive her into the communion of his life and fortune, or to pay unto her such allowance as had been formerly ordered by the Lords Committees. The King referred the matter to the Lords Keeper and Treasurer, the Earl Marshal, the Earl of Dorset, Mr. Vice-Chamberlain, and Sec. Coke, to settle some accord for the lady's maintenance.

April 12. 45. Sir Walter Covert and Sir John Shirley to the Council. Have called before them Francis Pelling, and the principal inhabitants of the parish of Chailey, co. Sussex. Recapitulate former proceedings in this matter (*see Vols.* lxxxix., *No.* 56, *and* xci., *No.* 13), and what had been paid him by the parish. They recommended the parish to bestow something more upon him at this time, whereto they inclined; but he refused to hearken to any agreement under

100 marks. He deserves rather punishment than further commiseration.

April 12. Magdalen College, Oxford. 46. Dr. Accepted Frewen, Vice-Chancellor of Oxford, to Bishop Laud. In their convocation that day his Lordship was fairly chosen chancellor, if he pleases to accept of the place, as some of them trust he will. Pray him to appoint when the University shall attend him. The Dean of Worcester will acquaint him with the circumstances of the election.

April 12. 47. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Warden. Complain of the ill-furnishing of the market of that town with wheat, which has occasioned much complaining of the poor. The scarcity has grown by the late transport of wheat at Sandwich and Margate. One Rickeses, a Dutchman, dwelling in the parish of St. John the Baptist in Thanet, has transported 300 quarters of wheat since Michaelmas last, and yet refuses to furnish two quarters in the score for relief of the poor.

April 13. Bristol. 48. Capt. Dawtry Cooper to the Lords of the Admiralty. States the circumstances of the demand of the Ninth Whelp made of him by Capt. Thomas, and the squabble which ensued. Ultimately the writer offered to deliver up the ship on authority from Sir Thomas Button, or their Lordships.

April 13. His house in the Close, Salisbury. 49. Sir Thomas Sadler to Lord Keeper Coventry. At the last Assises the Judges of the Western Circuit inquired respecting the money heretofore collected towards the recovery of the Palatinate. The writer received the moneys contributed by the clergy, amounting to eight hundred and odd pounds, and paid the same into the Exchequer. Intreats him to acquaint the Council therewith, that no further trouble may accrue to the writer, now an old man, and not able to travel.

April 13. Order of the Lords of the Admiralty for Sir Henry Marten to give directions for the release of Capt. Bamford, in hope that what he has already suffered will be a sufficient warning. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 83.]

April 13. 50. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. Mr. Secretary is of opinion that the wages of ordinary sailors, both in harbour and at sea, shall be and continue alike, that is, at 15*s.* a month.

April 13. 51. Bond of John Beaumont, of London, gentleman, to Thomas Morgan, of Pensford, co. Somerset, gentleman, in 100*l.*, conditioned to be void if Beaumont has not heretofore sold the pursership of the Ninth Lion's Whelp, to which he was appointed by the late Duke of Buckingham, and which he has lately sold to Morgan. *Annexed,*

51. I. *George Duke of Buckingham to John Beaumont. Warrant appointing him purser of the Ninth Lion's Whelp. Whitehall,* 1628, *June* 1.

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April 13. Hertford. 52. Elizabeth Williams to her brother Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for a token of ten pieces, sent by the writer's sister, Alice Carleton, and for kindness to her son Anthony's two sons.

[April 14.] 53. Sec. Coke to the Council. Report on a petition of George Bedford, in justification of his patent for garbling madder, referred to the Sec. for consideration. The nature of the patent and the reasons for granting the same, with the objections urged against it, are all stated and left to be judged of by the Council. [*Draft.*] *Annexed,*

53. I. *Statement of the nature of the patent above mentioned, and the considerations on which it was granted.*

53. II. *John Skinner to Sec. Coke. Objections urged by the principal dyers against the patent for garbling madder, which they hold to be a mere project to get money by burthening the commodity without any benefit save to the projector.* 1630, *April* 14.

53. III. *Notes by Sec. Coke of the circumstances connected with this patent which had occasioned the present inquiry.*

April 14. 54. [Andrew Pitcairn, Master of the Hawks?] to [Sec. Dorchester?] Begs him to acquaint the Council that the King had commanded the writer to complain to them when the commission for hawks' meat was not obeyed. Lately sent warrants into Herts. to that purpose, whereof he had no other return but that the gentlemen of the county, namely, Sir Richard Lucy, Sir Robert Chester, and Sir Thomas Dacres, intreated forbearance until the Sessions. He consented thereto, and was put to hard shifts for food for the King's hawks, then at Theobalds. After consultation the answer is, that they conceive it is not due, and that they are willing to be called to the Council Board to answer it.

April 15. 55. Orders established by the King, with the advice of his Council, for regulating the Wardrobe of Robes. The Gentleman of the Robes is to have an assignment of 5,000*l.* per annum for defraying all expenses of his Majesty's wearing apparel, with all manner of furnishings to the same, as hats with bands to them, girdles and hangers, points, stockings, garters, shoestrings and roses, boots, shoes, pantoffles, spurs, swords, rapiers, "fachions," and knives, or any other such like necessaries, except linen, which is to be furnished out of the Great Wardrobe. [*Copy.*]

April 15. Bristol. 56. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. There is nothing now to stay the ship but the want of wind. Has nothing more in his wishes than to be at sea, where they hear the Dunkirkers make havock.

April 15. 57. Judgment of the Court of Admiralty for restitution of the Cape de Ciel. [*Copy, with a memorandum, underwritten by Thos. Wyan, that he never until now heard of* 2,500 *livres, said to be in the St. Lawrence of St. Malo.*]

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April 16. 58. Royal Licence to Jean Poincteau to visit the place of his father's birth in Scotland, and to sell and distribute his medicines on the journey. [*Draft.*]

April 16. Whitehall. 59. Order of Council. A petition having been delivered to the King by Dr. Peter Volcker, agent for Hamburgh, making suit for divers exemptions in matter of reprisal for ships of that city, the same was referred to the Lords of the Admiralty, whose report having been read certain exemptions in favour of Hamburgh were agreed to, and the Attorney General was directed to prepare a proclamation accordingly. [*Copy.*]

April 16. Southwark. 60. Justices of Southwark to the Council. Report the precautions taken by them against the plague. They had set watches for apprehending Irish and other vagrant persons; had informed themselves of inn-mates and alehouses; had caused all ditches to be scoured, and had taken order for two watchmen for every infected house. At present there is not any house infected.

April 16. On board, under sail. 61. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. This morning the wind is come to the S.S.W., and they are now under sail. The Whelp and ketch have been plying along the coast. They hear of no man-of-war there. Colliers taken by a ship without ordnance and by one with only six small guns. Our black fleet stoops to a Dunkirker like larks to a hobby. Spanish ships at the Shaw, lying there for our cloth fleet. Will stand over thither on his return from the northward. *Incloses,*

61. I. *Bailiffs of Yarmouth to Sir Henry Mervyn. Owners of ships proceeding to Iceland and Westmony on fishing fare, are afraid of losing their ships by Biscayners coming thither yearly, and against whom they have no means of defence. Desire him to procure from the Council some ships of defence to be sent after them to Iceland. Yarmouth,* 1630, *April* 9.

April 16. Whitehall. 62. State of the case between Otto de la Porte, Abraham de la Motte, and Company, owners of the St. Jehan, of Calais, complainants, and Sir Thomas Button, defendant. French.

April 17. Proclamation for prevention of the exportation of wools, woolfells, yarn, fullers-earth, woad, ashes, and hides, both tanned and raw, out of the kingdom. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 121.]

April 17. 63. The King to Lord President Conway, Henry Earl of Manchester, Keeper of the Privy Seal, the Earl Marshal, Edward Earl of Dorset, John Earl of Bridgwater, Edward Earl of Wimbledon, Thos. Viscount Wentworth, Oliver Viscount Grandison, Sec. Coke, Sir Robert Killigrew, Vice-Chamberlain to the Queen, Sir Robert Cotton, Sir Hugh Middleton, Sir John Finch, Sir Wm. Slingsby, Sir Henry Spelman, Sir Thomas Middleton, Sir Henry Spiller, Sir John Bingley, and Sir Thomas Canon, Christopher Wandesford, George Radcliffe, the King's Attorney in the Northern parts, Edward Ayscough, Thomas Brett, Nicholas Pay, and Thomas Bridegman.

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Commission to inquire into exacted fees and offices innovated since the 11th of Elizabeth. [*Copy.*]

April 17. Whitehall. 64. The King to Attorney General Heath. In the Commission lately signed for Causes Ecclesiastical within the province of York he is to insert Lawrence Hinton, clerk, Joseph Cradock, M.A., and Robert Brooke, clerk, specially commended by the Bishop of Durham.

April 17 St. Martin's Lane. 65. Lord President Conway to the same. To prepare a bill of denization for Sir John Hume, of North Berwick, co. Lothian, in Scotland, Sir George Hume, his son and heir apparent, and Patrick Hume, youngest son of Sir John.

April 17. 66. The same to the same. Understands he is about a charitable work of getting a pardon for many poor prisoners in several gaols. Begs him to include Gillian Goade, condemned for stealing a box of clothes of no great value, and that the first fact.

April 17. 67. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Either Richard Baldwin or Richard Seawell may serve as master and commander of the Fortune, pink.

April 17. 68. Petition of Wm. Cooke to the same. Petitioner a master gunner from Queen Elizabeth's time, was five weeks ago impressed as assistant gunner in the Garland. Coming ashore to perform a duty at the Tower against the King's Coronation Day, he was arrested on a pretended debt of 45*s.* at the suit of Andrew Fusland, an ale brewer, a persecuting creditor of many poor men, whom nothing can satisfy but the bones and severe punishment of his debtors. Prays them to send for Fusland and Matthew Kerby, the Knight Marshal's officer. *Underwritten,*

68. I. *Certificate of impressment of petitioner.* 1630, *March* 22. [*Copy.*]

68. II. *The like of the officers of the Navy, that the contents of the petition are true.* 1630, *April* 17.

April 17. The Tower of London. 69. Walter Long to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for his honourable inclination to be his intercessor to his Majesty. Sends him a petition wherein he has again humbly implored his Majesty's grace and princely clemency. Begs him to commend it to his Majesty's sacred hands.

April 17. Bristol. 70. Wm. Willett to Nicholas. Reports that part of the contents of the great prize brought in by the Eagle is 662 chests of sugars, and above 500 hides. Another prize sent in by one of Weymouth with above 350 chests, and another by the Falcon of Bristol, with about 100 chests. The Convertive is ready, only staying for a wind. He has heard of the differences between the captains of the Ninth Whelp upon the change. Capt. Plumleigh is as able a man as ever was employed in those parts, and free from baseness. Sends in a box a mermaid's hand with a rib, which is said to be good to make rings for the cramp and to stop blood, with some other virtues.

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April 17. London. 71. Sir Francis Willoughby to Mr. Bradley. In explanation of various items of the account between them. One item he cannot explain, but will peruse his papers when he comes to Bristol. Acknowledges that he has received 12*l.*, the residue of Sergeant John Bruce's arrears, he living now in Ireland, whither Sir Francis is going. *Annexed,*

71. I. *Minute of money to be defalked from Sir Francis Willoughby,* 16*l.* 10*s.*, *including the* 12*l. mentioned above.*

April 18. 72. Sir Henry Marten to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has examined 26 persons whose names are enumerated, prisoners in the Marshalsea, taken lately in a Dunkirk sloop. Save one Frenchman and one Hollander, they are all natural subjects of Spain, and deny the capture of any but English and Hollanders, of whom they have taken great store.

April 18. Petworth. 73. Henry Earl of Northumberland to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for papers respecting the French movements in Italy. The Cardinal Richelieu has engaged himself far. God send the Sec. a good wife; the Earl hears he is towards one.

April 18. From his lodging. 74. Sir Thomas Button to Nicholas. Is entreated by John Beaumont, who was purser of the Ninth Lion's Whelp, to solicit a warrant for Thomas Morgan to be appointed to that place, Beaumont being willing to surrender the same to him.

April 19. Apthorpe. 75. Mildmay Earl of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. Begs the Sec. to be his faithful remembrancer to his Majesty that whenever he shall dispose of the Justice and oyership general on that side Trent the writer's patent may be excepted.

April 20. 76. Richard Lord Lovelace to the Council. Certifies that Edmund Dunch, deceased, Charles Booth, Richard Browne, and Francis Thynne were collectors for co. Berks, for monies given for defence of the Palatinate.

April 20. 77. Petition of the Deputies for making Saltpetre to the Lords of the Admiralty. They have often made known that they have so far engaged their estates and credits for the King's service that they are no longer able to continue the doing thereof. If they are suffered to be undone by doing his Majesty's service, the example would be so remarkable that men would be fearful to contract or lay out their estates in the King or kingdom's service. Pray for payment or permission to sell to others. [*Nicholas has written upon this petition, "Resp.; there is order taking for the petitioner's satisfaction."*]

April 20. 78. Petition of Captain Stephen Rout, captain of the Anthony, of London, a mine ship in the expedition to Rochelle, now a prisoner in miseries unspeakable in the Gatehouse at Westminster, to Lord Treasurer Weston. Having petitioned the Board with due and daily attendance for his entertainment, due by the late Duke's promise, of 10*s.* by day, besides 20*l.* 12*s.*, his charges, is likely for a small debt miserably to end his days in that place, being ready to starve. Beseeches him to be a means for his present satisfaction.

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April 20. 79. Petition of William Cooke to Wm. Earl of Pembroke, Lord High Steward, indorsed by Nicholas as received this day, probably for the Lords of the Admiralty. The same, in substance, as his petition of the 17th instant. (*Vol.* clxiv. *No.* 68.) *Underwritten,*

79. I. *Certificate of the impressment of the petitioner, of which a copy is written under the preceding petition.* 1630, *March* 22.

April 20. Drury Lane. 80. George Earl of Kildare to Sec. Dorchester. Solicits on behalf of Capt. Smith, who through unfortunate disasters in his Majesty's service is now a subject of his pity, the reversion of a company in Ireland. The Earl has made choice of Capt. Smith to live with him.

April 20. 81. Order of the Court of Exchequer in a cause between Sir John Lambe, plaintiff, and Michael West and others, defendants. An injunction to restrain proceedings at common law to recover an annuity charged upon the premises in question at Blisworth, co. Northampton, was withdrawn, but in case of a verdict for the plaintiff, judgment was stayed until further order of this Court.

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April 21. Whitehall. 1. Petition of Margery Dowe to the King. Prays a pardon for her son, Samuel Dowe, who, 20 years ago, in a sudden affray at Colchester, wounded Wm. King, of which wound, three months after, for want of a good surgeon, he died. Her son has lived ever since in the Netherlands as a soldier. *Underwritten,*

1. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon if the offence be but manslaughter. Whitehall,* 1630, *April* 21.

April 21. 2. Petition of Wm. Gifford to the same. Petitioner has good right to eleven tenements in the parish of Shebbeare *alias* Shaftisbeare, co. Devon, and is desirous to settle the same upon the King and his heirs, and to hold the same by lease under his Majesty at a reasonable rent. Prays the King to take from him an absolute estate, and to grant him a lease for 100 years at a rent of 5*l.* per annum. *Underwritten,*

2. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *April* 21.

April 21. 3. Petition of Robert Howes to the same. Above 30 years since petitioner was challenged by Thomas Stamp to fight, and in that duel gave his opponent a wound of which he died. In respect of petitioner's humanity after the wound was given, little pursuit was made after him, and since that time he has had an office in Woodstock park. Prays for a pardon. *Annexed,*

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3. I. *Certificate of Sir Giles Bray, John Lacy, and eight others, of the truth of the facts alleged by the petitioner. Underwritten,*

3. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *April* 21.

April 21. Whitehall. 4. Order of Council. The Greenland Company having formerly complained of Thomas Hoarth and Nathaniel Edwards, and those persons having attended the Board this day, they are ordered to give bond not to set forth any ship for Greenland until they obtain order from this Board.

April 21. 5. Petition of Sir Ferdinando Audeley, prisoner in the Fleet, to the Council. Petitioner having been committed prisoner to the Fleet, without the liberty of other prisoners to go abroad, to follow his occasions, or to take the fresh air, is become very weak and his sickness daily increaseth. Prays restoration to his liberty. [*Sir Ferdinando was this day ordered to be set at liberty. Reg. Conc. Charles I., Vol.* v. *p.* 764.]

April 21. 6. Estimate of Simon Richardson of the expense of a supply of water for fish-ponds, probably at Ragley, Lord Conway's seat in co. Warwick.

April 21. Woolwich. 7. Capt. Phineas Pett to Nicholas. Requests warrant for his having the lodgings at Chatham formerly enjoyed by Capt. Downing, for his own accommodation, and for giving entertainment to Mr Burrell, when occasions of service call them to be both there together.

April 21. 8. Petition of Gillian Goad to Sir Thos. Richardson, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas. Being condemned for stealing a box of linen, and reprieved at the request of Lord Conway, she prays Chief Justice Richardson to certify to Mr. Attorney so favourably on her behalf, that she may have the benefit of the King's pardon. *Underwritten,*

8. I. *Certificate of Chief Justice Richardson recommending the petitioner to mercy.*

April 21. St. John's College, Oxford. 9. John Edwards to Bishop Laud. Congratulations on his election as Chancellor of Oxford.

April 21. 10. Answers of Charles Chauncey, Vicar of Ware, co. Herts, to the articles objected against him by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners (*see* 1630, *April* 10, *Vol.* clxiv., *No.* 40.) The examinant asserts his conformity in the articles objected, and explains away many of the speeches attributed to him.

April 21. 11. Assignment by William Gomeldon to Richard Hamby. The King, by privy seal of 14th Sept. 1629, having given to Gomeldon the moiety of all monies given about seven years before, for the defence of the Palatinate, by him to be recovered, he assigns to Hamby 100*l.* out of the said moiety, to be received by 20*l.* out of every 100*l.* recovered. [*Copy.*]

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April 22. Doctors Commons. 12. Sir Henry Marten to Lord President Conway, as Vice Admiral of Hants and the Isle of Wight. According to a general order, he is to return the accounts of his Vice Admiralty on or before the 24th inst.

April 22. The Convertive, riding in King Road. 13. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. Great difficulty of getting out of Bristol. Set sail out of Hung Road with the wind at east, and the help of eight tow boats, and sixty yokes of oxen, notwithstanding all which the ship was in great hazard of being lost. The channel a mere ditch, with at low water but four or five feet of water. Never knew what hearty fear meant till then. Is now ready to take the first wind to put the ship into the channel, which wind he prays for as heartily as for his daily bread.

April 22. On board the Second Whelp. 14. Capt. Lewis Powell to the same. Had convoyed the merchant ships of Hamburgh to the mouth of the Elbe, where they had been detained by weather. Have that night arrived in the Downs. Shall scour those parts until they hear of their Admiral.

April 22. 15. Petition of the Merchants of Exeter to the Lords of the Admiralty. Their daily dangers and losses from Dunkirk enforce them to petition that some of the ships lately sent to sea may take up their station between Portland and the Land's End.

April 22. 16. Order of the Ecclesiastical Commission, referring the cause of Charles Chauncey, clerk, to Bishop Laud, with power, if Mr. Chauncey do not submit to his order, to transfer the cause back again.

April 23. Proclamation for quickening the laws made for relief of the poor, and suppressing, punishing, and settling sturdy rogues and vagabonds, issued on account of the apparent and visible danger of the pestilence. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 122.]

April 23. London. 17. Sir Theodore Mayerne and Dr. Matthew Lister to the King. They have examined and tested the antidote and balm of Jean Poincteau, and think them likely to be useful. The antidote was tried successfully on two persons, one bitten by a viper, the other poisoned by sublimate of mercury. Fr.

April 23. Oxford. 18. Appeal to the King of William Price, Giles Thorne, William Kerry, Francis Hyde, and Alexander Hyde, against the election of Bishop Laud as Chancellor of Oxford, on account of the alleged illegality of many of the acts done in the pretended Convocation, 12th April 1630, wherein the said election took place. Lat.

April 23. 19. Dennis Fleming to Nicholas. Sends letters from Bristol, touching the forwardness of the ships there. Mr. Burrell desires to know whether Baldwin or Seawell is to have the Fortune, pink; he recommends Baldwin.

April 23. 20. Estimate in the handwriting of Sec. Coke of the charge and profit of a fishing to be established at the Isle of Lewes in Scotland

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The charges of the outfit of a fishing fleet are calculated at 6,743*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; the return of profit upon three fishings in one year is 18,270*l.*

April 24. 21. Notes by Nicholas of business to be considered by the Lords of the Admiralty at their meeting that day, with minutes of the resolutions in the margin. The Garland is not to go forth; Sir Wm. Russell is to recommend a master for the Fortune; Sir Thomas Button is despatched with the Whelps from Bristol; the employment of the Dunkirk prize taken by Sir Henry Mervyn, and provisioning of Capt. Quaile, respited; references to the Ordnance as to sale of ordnance, and Capt. March's suggestion of change with King's Lynn; the Lord Treasurer to move the King on the application of the Lord Chamberlain to succeed the Lord Steward as Vice Admiral of South Wales.

April 24. 22. Similar notes by Nicholas of answers to various petitions to the Admiralty; among them petitions of the saltpetremen—order taking for their satisfaction; of the Four Masters,—when the number was reduced from six to four there was allowed an increase of pay which is still continued, but no allowance of 60*l.* per annum was made them by order; Powell's petition, Capt. Rout's, Twisleton's, and others.

April 24. Whitehall. 23. Sec. Dorchester to Attorney General Heath. Mr. Attorney had drawn a grant to Patrick Crafford and Matthew Birkenhead of an office of clerk for writing passes for people going beyond sea from Bristol, Beaumaris, Chester, Liverpool, and Workington, that bill is to be drawn anew, with stipulations that the fees should be the same as in London, and that the clerks should take a certain oath. He is also to draw a commission for administering a similar oath in London and the Cinque Ports.

April 24. Bristol. 24. Sir Francis Willoughby to ———. Explanations of accounts respecting arrears due to the person addressed. His next letter he hopes will be out of Ireland. Mr. Aldworth has entertained Sir Francis very nobly at Bristol.

April 24. 25. Will of John Bill, of the parish of St. Anne, Blackfriars, London, King's Printer, and a member of the Stationers' Company. He directs his body to be buried at St. Anne's, Blackfriars, and leaves 300*l.* for the expense of his funeral. He gives 15*l.* to the parish of Much Wenlock, co. Salop, where he was born, and a variety of other legacies to Bridewell, the Children of Christ's Hospital, and the Stationers' Company (with 10*l.* for dinner to the first and last of those institutions); to his brother William Bill, with his wife and family, his nephew Francis (his brother Richard's son); his nieces Merial Leate, Elizabeth Bill, and Maudlyn Kenn, and to Ann Fisher, daughter of his niece last mentioned; to James Burrage, Elizabeth Allen, William Parrett, Robert Graves and Grace his wife; to Drs. Gulston and Andrewes; to Stephen Barkham, William Tully, and his father-in-law Dr. Mountford; to his father-in-law Henry Franklin

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and Cicell his wife, his sisters-in-law Joan Mountford, Anne Lambe, and Cicell Ellis; to Joseph Fenton, Abraham Halsey, his cousin Richard Leate, Bonham Norton five pounds to make him a ring, Robert Barker the elder, the like; Dr. Gooch, for a funeral sermon, 5*l.*, with 2*l.* to the clerk; Elizabeth Wogan, his brother-in-law Dr. Mountford, William Austen, and Martin Lucas. He leaves his wife Jane Bill his house, purchased in conjunction with Bonham Norton, two chambers held by lease from Cuthbert Burbage, and an annuity of 300*l.* He possessed land at Canewood, St. Pancras, co. Middlesex. He left three sons, John, Charles, and Henry, and a daughter Anna. His residue is bequeathed to his executors, John Mountford, D.D., William Austen, and Martin Lucas, for the use of the testator's son John; his cousin William Leate and William Garrett to be assistants to the executors. In a codicil, dated 5 May 1630, he left legacies to the poor of St. Anne, Blackfriars, and of St. Faith's, and to Olive Parker, Richard Colchester, and John Walker. [*Copy.*],

April 26. 26. Petition of the Company of the Mineral and Battry works to Lord Treasurer Weston. Recite the petitions made by wire-drawers, cardmakers, and clothiers, and also by the Company of Wiredrawers of Tintern and Whitbrook, co. Monmouth, against the importation of foreign iron wire into this kingdom, all which had been referred to the Lord Treasurer. Pray direction to Mr. Attorney to draw a proclamation for restraint of such importation. *Underwritten,*

26. I. *Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. If agreeable to law, to prepare the proclamation above desired.* 1630, *April* 26.

April 26. Apthorpe. 27. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. The noise of the sickness in London has altered her purpose and her son's from coming up at this time. Begs that if his Majesty be moved for any hunting warrants for that country, that he would except out of them Moorhay and Southay, the "games" there not being so fair as they have been by reason of the improper conduct of Lord Peterborough.

April 26. Christ Church, Oxford. 28. Dr. Brian Duppa to Bishop Laud. Feared his election as Chancellor of Oxford would not at first sight please him. First, because of his earnest desire that they should have elected the Lord Treasurer, and next in relation to the malice and envy of the age, that thinks no honour well placed, if conferred upon the clergy. For the former, the writer hopes the Bishop has received satisfaction from others, and for the latter he can give himself satisfaction. Multiplicity of business detains the writer from the Bishop's inauguration. He will see that some of the company bring bodies there that bring no hearts, and conceives he will sooner pardon the writer who sends his heart thither though he cannot convey himself.

April 27. 29. Certificate of Thomas Viscount Wentworth and other Commissioners for Recusants in the North, that John Fleming, of

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Rydal, co. Westmoreland, had made composition with them for his Majesty's two third parts of his lands in cos. Westmoreland, Cumberland, and Lancaster.

April 27. Tower Street. 30. Sir Wm. Russell to Nicholas. Richard Smith is sufficient to perform a purser's place in some of the King's ships.

April 27. 31. Minute of a remain taken of the St. Claude, riding at Southampton: with various other memoranda chiefly relating to that ship.

April 28. 32. Mayor and others of Poole to the Council. On the 27th inst. there came into that town out of Purbeck, Henrick Jacobson and others, with 40 sailors of the Frances of Dunkirk, forced ashore into Studland Bay by three States men-of-war. Send their examinations. *Inclose,*

32. I. *Separate examinations of Henrick Jacobson, captain, and John Pry, master, of the Frances of Dunkirk. Had been at sea* 14 *days, and had taken one ship, a Frenchman, coming out of Spain, which had been previously taken by an English man-of-war, of Lyme, also an Irishman coming in ballast from London. Poole,* 1630, *April* 27.

April 29. 33. Sir John Wolstenholme and Sir Kenelm Digby to the Lords of the Admiralty. Report on the petition of Thomas Thornhill, (*see* 1630, *March* 20, *Vol.* clxiii., *No.* 23.) Think Mr. Thornhill should be restored to his place and freed from the molestation of suits.

April 29. 34. Lord President Conway to the Chancellor of Scotland. Sends the articles accorded between the writer, Sir George Hume and his brother Patrick Hume. Wishes the deeds agreed to be signed by Sir John Hume may be signed before the marriage of Lord Conway's daughter, and payment of her portion. Trusts to him to see to the real performance of all things to be done there.

April 29. The same to Sir John Hume. His worthy and discreet son Patrick Hume will explain the reasons on which they have proceeded. Urges expedition in execution of the deeds relating to the estates in Scotland. As to his Irish land, his sons have taken advice and received instructions what is to be done. [*Draft written on the same sheet as the preceding.*]

April 29. 35. Mary Smith to Lord President Conway. Complains of the misconduct of John Purser, in allowing a house occupied by him, but which the Lord President gave to the writer, to get out of repair.

April 29. Scilly. 36. Capt. John Perkins to Sec. Dorchester. Sailed on the 21st from the Downs in company with the ships bound for the Straits, but they bearing a southerly course the writer stole along by the Land's End for Scilly, where they anchored on the 27th, and are now waiting for the Whelps. Sprung a great leak and have been

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pumping 500 strokes an hour ever since they came out of the Thames.

April 29. 37. Examination of Thomas Walker in the handwriting of Sec. Dorchester. On Friday, the day after the finding the letter at Wilson's door, Thomas, a drawer to Wilson, said the finding the letter might be as good as 1,000*l.*, for it concerned a man's life, and that he had rather have given five shillings than that it should have lighted on the examinant.

April 30. Lords of the Admiralty to John Rockwell, appointed Commander and Master of the Fortune. Instructions to him to ply up and down about Tilbury Hope, Leigh, Queenborough, and Sheerness, for the guard of the Rivers Thames and Medway. [*Copy. See Vol.* clvii., *fo.* 110 *b.*]

April 30. 38. Sir Wm. Russell, Sir John Wolstenholme, and Sir Kenelm Digby to the Lords of the Admiralty. Report on consideration of the complaints and examinations sent in against Mr. Hilliard and Mr. Stephens, saltpetremen, and their servants. According to the proofs there is no part of their commission which they have not extremely abused. As in digging in all places without distinction, as in parlours, bedchambers, threshing and malting floors, yea, God's own house they have not forborne ; so they respect not times, digging in the breeding time in dove-houses, and working sometimes a month together, whereby the flights of doves are destroyed ; and without respect to harvest time, in barns and in malting houses, when green malt is upon the floor; and in bedchambers, placing their tubs by the bedside of the old and sick, even of women in childbed, and persons on their death beds. They have undermined walls, and seldom fill up the places they have digged. In taking up carts they observe no seasons, and charge more carts than are needful, discharging some again for bribes, and overload the carts they employ. They do not pay the prices for carriage required by the commission. They take up coals not only where they are sold, but from those that have fetched them 20 or 30 miles by land for their own winter's provision. Recommend that the offenders should be punished, and that the commission be taken in, and a new one made out, with restrictions designed to put an end to the abuses complained of.

April 30. St. Martin's Lane. 39. Colin Earl of Seaforth to Sec. Coke. Being in a continual course of physic under Dr. Mayerne, cannot wait upon him. Intreats to know if he will remain in the City on Monday and Tuesday that the Earl may conform his diet to that of the Sec., and in the meantime would be glad that nothing should be done in the matter of fishing.

April 30. 40. Petition of John Friend and Wm. Kempe, of Dunwich, co. Suffolk, to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Lieutenant of that county. Have attended Sir. Thomas Jermy in vain. Unless they obtain their wages due [for watching beacons] must throw themselves on the mercy of their creditors and the charity of their

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poor town. Are informed there is money in hand of the last collection for watching beacons. Pray that an account may be rendered and a new collection made for what is wanting.

April 30. Portsmouth. 41. Wm. Gildon to Stephen Alcock. Explains how the captain of the writer's ship, by threats of running his dagger through his cheeks, procured the cooper to certify that the victuals in the ship were of bad quality. Explains the circumstances, so that if such certificate comes in he may be able to answer.

April. 42. Petition of Sir [the name left blank] the King's ambassador? [the last word blotted out, and no name of any country inserted] to the King. Prays for a commission to disafforest the Forest of Exmoor, with a lease of the King's share therein to petitioner at 4*l.* per acre for 60 years. *Underwritten,*

42. 1. *Reference to the Attorney or Solicitor General to draw such commission and lease. Whitehall,* 1630, *April.* [*Unsigned.*]

April. 43. Sheriffs of Norwich to the Council. In reply to an order to deliver one Stevens to the bearer, to be conveyed to the Clink, they report that they have no prisoner by that name, but that there is in their custody one John Sprooke *alias* Scroope, detained for refusing to take the oath of allegiance, and also upon an action at the suit of John Dixon.

April? 44. Petition of Wm. Davill to the Lords of the Admiralty. Was employed as solicitor for his Majesty's causes in the Admiralty Court touching his Majesty's part of French and Spanish prizes. Through his care there has been brought in to his Majesty 205,689*l.* and upwards, as appears by the account annexed. Has never had any payment, save 20*l.* imprest, and some allowance out of the Spanish prizes, since 12 August 1627. Prays for allowance according to his deserts. *Annexed,*

44. 1. *Account of the proceeds of all the prize goods sold in the port of London since the commencement of the war. The amount given above comprises from Spanish prize goods,* 66,727*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*, *and from French prize goods* 130,059*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.*

April. 45. Lord President Conway to James Marquis of Hamilton. Applies to him as an encourager of the breed of horses, for an old stallion that was Lord Gerrard's. [*Draft.*]

April. Chelsea. 46. Elizabeth Countess Dowager of Devon to Sec. Dorchester. Prays him at a convenient time to solicit the King a second time for a letter to the Master and Seniors of St. John's. If obtained it will hearten the bearer on to his studies.

April. 47. John Richards to Thomas Earl of Arundel and Surrey. His charitable disposition towards distressed Catholics animates the

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writer to apply to him. Since the writer's return from Rome he is both of kindred and friends neglected.

[April ?] 48. Brief on the part of Richard Wright in the matter of the Hope [Esperanza], taken by the Shuttle, Capt. Cornish.

[April ?] 49. Brief on the part of the same Richard Wright and Capt. Cornish against Colonel Saravia and others for the goods in the Hope [Esperanza.]

[April ?] 50. Articles proposed to be inserted in a new contract with Mr. Evelyn for the supply of powder. In the handwriting of Sec. Coke.

[April ?] 51. Names of the saltpetremen, with the allotment amongst them of the several counties, and the proportions they were to furnish per week.

[April ?] 52. Minutes in the handwriting of Sec. Coke of returns respecting the saltpetremen to be obtained through Mr. Evelyn from Hooker [probably the preceding paper was one of them]; notes as to stipulations to be introduced into their contracts.

[April ?] 53. Notes by the same, respecting the way in which the saltpetremen had performed their contracts.

[April ?] 54. Another similar paper entitled "Directions for the Saltpetre business," which contains a statement of the course fit to be adopted with Mr. Evelyn and the saltpetremen, and the stipulations proper to be made with both of them.

[April ?] 55. Account by Matthew de Quester of such despatches as he had received and sent for his Majesty's service from the 3rd October 1629 to the 4th April inst., and the amount claimed for the same, 131*l.* 4*s.*

[April ?] 56. Brief on behalf of George Hodges, farmer or proprietor of the Rectory impropriate of Wedmore, co. Somerset, against Robert Hole, of the same parish, in a suit for tithes.

[April ?] 57. Brief on behalf of Richard Kitchin against John Hankinson, in a cause respecting the right to a certain seat in the parish church of Totteridge, assigned to Kitchin by faculty of the ordinary, dated 4th April 1612.

[April ?] 58. Brief in the same cause on the part of John Hankinson against Richard Kitchin.

April. 59. Sir Arthur Mainwaring, Sir Richard Harrison, and Sir Charles Howard to Henry Earl of Holland, Constable of the Castle of Windsor. Certificate of all cottages and other encroachments on the King's woods, with the names of the keepers, and numbers of the game within the Forest of Windsor. The cottages are the ruin and destruction both of the woods and game, and the shelter of deer stealers and all disorderly persons. Among the entries are the following. In Windlesham Walk. "William Milton, junior, a cottage

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and a rood of land in Windlesham paying yearly to Sir Charles Howard 6*s*. and two pullets; value per annum 5*s*." In Sunninghill. "Elizabeth Milton, one cottage erected upon his Majesty's waste in Sunninghill aforesaid by what rent we know not; value per annum, 5*s*." "Robert Milton," a similar entry, except that the value per annum is 6*s*. 8*d*. "Nicholas Milton," a similar entry, value per annum 12*d*. The deer are thus enumerated. Surrey Bailiwick; deer of antler, 391; rascal deer, 684. Battles Walk, deer of antler, 36; rascal deer, 97; Finchampstead Bailiwick, deer of antler, 84; rascal deer, 162.

April. 60. Brief abstract of commission for remodelling the establishment of the Wardrobe.

April. 61. Petition of Anthony Britton to Sir Edward Dering, Lieutenant of Dover Castle. Petitioner, with Thomas Tanke, Edward Pollard, and Thomas Attwood, being all prisoners in sickness and poverty, pray that some course may be taken that they do not perish in want and despair. [*It is stated in the indorsement that they were all in prison for refusing the oath of allegiance.*]

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May 1. From his house near St. Bartholomew's. 1. Horace Lord Vere, Master General of the Ordnance, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Sends letter of the officers of the Ordnance on the request of Capt. Thos. March of the Fourth Whelp for the exchange of certain ordnance with the town of King's Lynn (*see* 1630, *March* 30, *Vol.* clxiii., *No.* 57.) *Incloses*,

1. I. *Officers of the Ordnance to Lord Vere. The length of the guns at King's Lynn may make them more cumbersome than those now in the ship. The difference of weight does not exceed* 8 *cwt. If the Lords of the Admiralty give warrant for the exchange, no remarkable inconvenience can happen. Office of Ordnance,* 1630, *April* 30.

May 1. [Scad]bury. 2. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Nicholas. To procure the discharge of some one [termed in the indorsement "his servant."] Begs him to speak to the Lord Treasurer on his behalf.

May 1. Eccleshall Castle. 3. Bishop Morton of Coventry and Lichfield to the Bailiffs of [Lichfield?]. Understands that there are two chests in an aisle of the parish church of St. Mary, one wherein the Corporation have kept their evidences, and the other which has now been broken open containing some evidences concerning the church and bishopric of Lichfield. Desires that the same may be preserved in the chest without embezzlement until Mr. Dean, the Bailiffs, and the writer may so dispose that men of skill may view them.

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May 3. 4. Petition of Nicholas Borlase, Vice-Warden of the Stannaries in Cornwall, to the King. That he may be settled in his place of Vice-Warden, according to the intention of the late Lord Warden, who protested that he never did anything which more troubled him than the granting the new patent to Mr. Coryton. *Underwritten,*

4. I. *Reference to the Lord Chamberlain and Sec. Dorchester, to examine the parties interested, and report the true state of the business.*

May 3. Dover Castle. 5. Sir Edward Dering to the Council. Reports upon the reference of a petition in which the person complained of was a Mr. Higgenson, who had failed in producing his proofs, although special appointments had been made with him for that purpose.

May 3. 6. Notes of business transacted by the Council of War at their sittings on 4 Feb., 20 March, 22 April, and 26 April in this year, and also on this day. The business consisted principally of references of petitions for payment of arrears of pay.

May 3. London. 7. Warrant of the Court of Admiralty authorizing Sir Lionel Tollemache, Vice Admiral of co. Suffolk, to arrest near Orford a certain ship by him already stayed.

May 3. 8. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. On the death of John Favill, his Majesty's anchorsmith, they recommend John Neale as his successor.

May 3. On board the Ninth Whelp. 9. Capt. Dawtry Cooper to the same. For want of Sir Thomas Button's being there, or his instructions, apprises them that the ships there are ready for sea. Solicits directions how to dispose of himself.

May 3. Bristol. 10. Sir Thomas Button to Sec. Dorchester. Arriving last night in this place he met with the inclosed from Capt. Perkins, [probably *Vol.* clxv., *No.* 36], who with the munition has arrived in Scilly. Will hasten to convoy him to Dublin. Prays him to move the King that the moneys due by himself and his sister Whoick in the Court of Wards may be allowed as formerly signified to the late Lord Steward, and that the amount may be allowed against the arrears due to him.

May 3. Burderop. 11. Wm. Calley to Endymion Porter. Sends him and Mrs. Porter a pigeon pie, as a token of love and a badge of their poor country housewifery.

May 3. 12. Fragment of list of documents which had passed under the privy seal. The portion of this list which is here partially preserved extends from 8 April to 5 July 1626, and from 18 Dec. 1629 to this day.

May 3. 13. Account of Masts wrecked at Orford and removed to Aldborough. [*Indorsed is a note by Nicholas that the Earl of Warwick was to have two of them for his ship the Neptune.*]

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May 4. Bristol, aboard the Ninth Whelp. 14. Sir Thomas Button to the Lords of the Admiralty. The winds are so contrary that he cannot stir from that place. With the first opportunity will tide it to Scilly. Will do his best endeavours in reference to the Biscayners that are in the mouth of the river and the Dunkirkers that lie about the Land's End.

May 4. Littlecote. 15. John Popham to his cousin ——. Begs him to let the Ambassador to Spain know that what favours he does to Alexander Popham, now at Madrid, are done to a servant and kinsman of the person addressed.

May 4. 16. Sentence of Deprivation passed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners against Richard Westerman, Vicar of Sandridge, co. Hertford, for adultery committed with Maria Roberts, lately his household servant.

May 4. 17. Inventory by Sir John Drake, of tenths of several prize ships brought into Weymouth and Lyme Regis.

May 4. 18. Order of the Court of Exchequer that the defendants in a cause of Sir John Lambe *versus* Michael West and others, may proceed to a trial at the common law for the annuity which is the subject of the suit, but if a verdict shall pass for them, they shall proceed no farther until the cause be heard.

May 5. 19. James Cambell, the Lord Mayor, and others of London, to the Council. Send the opinion of the Masters of the Trinity House as to the force requisite for safe fetching coals from Newcastle. So many of the ships lately arrived from Newcastle as were ready to depart are wafted thither by the Greenland fleet, now lately gone. The business is one which concerns all England, and should be carried with a Royal hand. *Inclose,*

19. I. *Estimate of the Masters of the Trinity House of the expense of six ships requisite for the convoy of the Newcastle trade. Charge per month* 1,278*l.*

May 5. 20. Petition of John Billeo, of Bexley, carpenter, to the Council. Petitioner being a poor carpenter, with a wife and seven children, has been sent for by a messenger, to his great trouble and charge Prays release and discharge from finding arms. *Annexed,*

20. I. *Certificate of Sir Francis Leigh that the facts stated in the petition are true, and that petitioner has nothing to maintain him but his labour.*

May 5. Bristol, 10 o'clock, A.M. 21. Sir Thomas Button to Nicholas. The wind is come fair, the ships have fallen down to King Road, and himself following, without time to stop at his own house, although within five miles. Solicits that the Dunkirk prize taken by him may be adjudged, and the amount allowed him on account of his arrears.

May 5. 12 o'clock at noon. 22. The same to the same. Since the sealing of the preceding, Mr. Edwards, master of the White Hart, of Bristol, has brought intelligence of a large fleet fitting out at Bilboa.

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May 5. 23. H. Herbert to his cousin Endymion Porter. The Lord Chamberlain wants to know the merchant and the place where the French wine is to be had. Necessary attendance on Lord Powys's business prevents his waiting on him.

May 5. All Souls College, Oxford. 24. Thomas Dayrell to Bishop Laud. Congratulations on his election to the Chancellorship. Lat.

May 6. Whitehall. 25. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a warrant to the Exchequer to give legal discharges to all persons who shall compound for not taking upon them the order of knighthood.

May 6. Whitehall. 26. The same to the same. To insert in the new charter for Whitby, co. York, clauses exempting them from serving on juries in the county, and license to purchase lands in mortmain to the value of 40*l.* per annum.

May 6. 27. Petition of Henry Cowdall to the Lords of the Admiralty. Sets forth past services, and prays for a boatswain's place. *Annexed,*

27. I. *Certificate of Sir Henry Palmer and Sir John Chudleigh in confirmation of the preceding petition.*

May 6. The Convertive, in the Downs. 28. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the same. On the 25th April sailed out of King Road, and on the 4th inst. arrived in the Downs. Could not light upon any Dunkirker, although heard that some had lately been on the western coast. Sir Henry Mervyn not being returned from the northward, solicits instructious. If he is to keep the sea, desires one of the Whelps to attend.

May 6. Convertive, in the Downs. 29. The same to Nicholas. Sends the above letter open for his information. Would know what service the Garland is designed for. Hears it is for Spain, which he hoped to have had.

May 7. Whitehall. Proclamation for restraining the importation of iron wire into this kingdom, and for the support of that manufacture. English wire made of the toughest and best Osmond iron, a native commodity, is of much better use than the iron wire which comes from foreign parts, especially for wool cards, without which no good cloth can be made. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 123.]

May 7. 30. Petition of William Byng, Captain of Deal Castle, to the Council. Complains of a number of small cottages erected near Deal Castle, and prays redress.

May 7. His Majesty's Commission House in Fleet Street. 31. Lords Commissioners for the Duchy of Cornwall to the Lord Treasurer and the Lords of the Admiralty. Wreck within the Duchy of Cornwall belongs to the King in right of that Duchy. His Majesty, when Prince, demised wreck happening within the haven of Dartmouth to the Corporation of that town, for which they paid 180*l.* for a fine, and pay a yearly rent of 14*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Pray him on this statement to dismiss the Corporation of that town from attendance, their right having been called in question.

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May 7? 32. Petition of the Mayor and others of Dover to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports. Pray him to move the Council to authorize the Justices of the Peace to search the farmers' stores and order them to furnish the market with corn. [*See* 1630, *April* 12, *Vol.* clxiv., *No.* 47. *Order as prayed made this day, see Co. Reg. Car. I., Vol.* v., *p.* 786.]

May 7. 33. Capt. Dymes's relation of the French King's ships, rendered to Sec. Dorchester. It contains their burthens, and number of guns, with a list of the captains.

May 7. 34. Account of payments ordered to be made in anticipation of the revenue; total, 238,045*l.* 0*s.* 5*d.*

May 8. 35. Petition of James Heydon, his late Majesty's servant, to the King. By Stat. 39 Eliz. it was enacted that all aliens should pay for salted herrings brought into this kingdom such customs as in like cases are set upon English subjects in those foreign parts whence the herrings were brought. Forasmuch as the King bestowed on petitioner the Garnetter's place at Whitehall, which the Duke of Buckingham afterwards conferred on John Tradescant, then his servant; and because also the petitioner has lost 40*l.* by a grant made to him of old iron, he prays for a grant of the benefit of the custom on the importation of herrings, for 21 years, at 50*l.* per annum. *Underwritten,*

35. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *May* 8.

May 8. 36. Petition of Sir Henry Wotton, Nicholas Street, and Ezra Wolstan, to the King. The petitioners claim, under Letters Patent of the late King, estates in fee in the salt marshes of Sutton and Gedney, co. Lincoln. The draining and embankment will cost many thousand pounds. They intend forthwith to set upon its accomplishment. For strengthening their title they pray a confirmation of the same to Street and Wolstan. *Underwritten,*

36. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *May* 8.

May 8. 37. Petition of the keepers of the gaol of Newgate to the same. By reason of the great ruins of the gaol it is now in hand to be repaired. Great danger lest in time of repair some of the prisoners should escape. Pray directions to the Lord Mayor and Recorder to certify how many prisoners are capable of his Majesty's mercy, and to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon. *Underwritten,*

37. I. *Reference to the Recorder to certify, and to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon. Whitehall,* 1630, *May* 8. *Annexed,*

37. II. *Calendar of the prisoners which lie convicted in Newgate, with the offences of which they were found guilty. Underwritten,*

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37. III. *Report of Sir Heneage Finch, the Recorder, recommending 44 of them for pardon.* 1630, *May* 31.

37. IV. *Attorney General to the Town Clerk and Clerk of the Peace. Request for copy of one of the indictments.* 1630, *May* 31.

May 8. Hinton. 38. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. Hopes his ague will not afflict him long. Recommends to him Lieuts. May and Hayman, the bearers of this letter.

May 8. Bristol. 39. Wm. Willett to Nicholas. The Earl of Rutland was lately at the Bath. He sent for Willett and said his daughter had received no account of tenths in Bristol since the Duke's death. It is generally spoken we shall have peace with Spain, and that Farnandbucke [Pernambuco ?] is taken. The two Whelps are in King Road expecting a fair wind.

May 8. Exeter. 40. Bishop Hall of Exeter to Bishop Laud, in reply to a complaint against him of his late Chaplain, Mr. Nansog. The writer, prevailed upon by Nansog's importunity, made a void appointment in his favour of the archdeaconry of Cornwall. It was contested, and in consequence of some foul miscarriages of Mr. Nansog's tongue against the writer and his family, he became a stranger to Nansog, and withdrew his appointment. If a favour really meant cannot be forfeited by unworthiness, the writer is cast, else he hopes he is free.

May 9. On board the Reformation in Grimsby Road. 41. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. On the 16th April sailed from Yarmouth with 200 ships of fishermen in company. Came before Tynemouth on the 18th, where the greater part of the fleet stopped to lade salt. With the rest sent the Mary Rose and Tenth Whelp, who convoyed them to the height of Boekenes [Buchan Ness ?] and returned the 21st. On the 28th the fishermen came off to sea, and Sir Henry stood along with them as far as Boekenes. Thence he returned and depatched the Whelp with 100 sail of colliers and others bound to the South. There are at Grimsby 16 or 18 sail of cloth ships. Purposes to stand over with them past danger, and to return to the Downs. There are three or four small Dunkirk men-of-war on this coast, who will do much mischief. Suggests that Capt. Powell, Capt. Gibbon, and the Fortune, pink, should look after them. Inexpressible joy and gratitude with which the country acknowledges the King's care in sending ships to defend his poor subjects, whose fortunes depend on the freedom of the sea.

May 9. Grimsby Road. 42. The same to Nicholas. Stands engaged to Capt. Fogg. Does not think Capt. Beale has practical knowledge sufficient. Wishes himself free from these waftages, which tie him to particular places and give liberty to the enemy.

May 9. 43. Information of Thomas Poole, of Marley, co. Chester, and examinations of Robert Deueres, John Deueres, Robert Hall, John Cartwright, Richard Edgley, and Arthur Cartwright, respecting

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words reported to have been uttered by Robert Hall on his return from London, to the effect that the King was put into the Tower, and the Palsgrave proclaimed in his place.

May 10. Mitton. 44. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Remits 140*l.* with account of the rents to Michaelmas last. Lady Huncks has been ill of a fever, but is recovering.

May 10. Rushock. 45. Thomas Russell to Endymion Porter. Understands he has now got the tumbler into his possession, begs him to send it by the carrier Payton. Service to Porter's lady Olive, the writer's Captain. Understands the plague much to increase in London. If he and his lady come not down themselves, prays him to send the children.

May 10. 46. Certificate of William Middleton, preacher, and 58 others, brethren of the Charter House, that Richard Preston, since his being a member of that house, has quietly lived amongst them, and in his mystery of chirurgery, has been ready to do his best for all who sought to him for help. [*Copy.*]

May 11. 47. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. Incloses a petition to the King from [Robert] Godfrey, which his Majesty refers to the Lord Marshal, the Bishop of London, and the writer. They are to settle some course for the petitioner's satisfaction.

May 11. On board the Tenth Whelp at anchor in the Downs. 48. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to Nicholas. Had convoyed 200 sail of North Seas and Iceland men as far as Boffom Nests [Buchan Ness] in Scotland, and on his return a great fleet of colliers to Harwich. Has now returned to the Downs to take in victuals.

May 12. Whitehall. 49. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a new Charter for the incorporation of Yarmouth, co. Norfolk, by the name of Mayor, Bailiffs, and Burgesses, with certain enumerated clauses to be therein inserted.

May 12. Westminster. 50. The same to the same. To prepare pardon for Thomas Packington, found guilty of manslaughter in killing Richard Harfield and Thomas Harfield.

May 12. Westminster. 51. The same to Wm. Earl of Northampton, Lord President of Wales, Sir John Bridgeman, Chief Justice, and Sir Nicholas Overbury, Sir Marmaduke Lloyd, and Edw. Waties, Justices there. The King, by privy seal, dated 26 Oct. last past, having erected an office of Clerk of the Billets within the principality of Wales, and granted the same to Robert Tyrwhitt, they are to admit him and his deputy, and to take order that no defendant be bound to appear unless served with a billet under the stamp of the same clerk. [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

51. I. *Order of the King, that notwithstanding the death of William Earl of Northampton, the Judges shall proceed according to that letter.* 1630, *July* 1. [*Copy.*]

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[May 12 ?] 52. Petition of Robert Rous to the Council. Being captain of a foot company in co. Cornwall, he has been contemned in his commands by John Roberts the elder, of Lawrick, in that county, the particulars whereof are in writing, ready to be shewn to their honours. Petitioner lately presented a certificate of Roberts's contempts to the late Earl of Pembroke, Lord Lieutenant of that county, who declared that Roberts should suffer imprisonment for a year, and that the Earl would have the business openly heard at the Board. Prays that for terrifying wilful delinquents they would inflict condign punishment upon Roberts. *Annexed,*

52. I. *The just complaint of Robert Rous to the Dep. Lieutenants of Cornwall against John Roberts. This paper contains the particulars of Roberts's alleged contempts above mentioned.*

[May 12 ?] 53. Petition of the same to the same. Sets forth the circumstances under which John Roberts, above mentioned, in combination with William Brookings, and the churchwardens of Lawrick church, had procured petitioner to be excommunicated in the Consistory Court of Exeter. Prays them to take such course that he may be restored into the Church.

[May 12 ?] 54. Statement by the same Robert Rous of the misconduct of John Jeffrey and Thomas Bake, constables of Lawrick, co. Cornwall, in not arresting John Roberts under a warrant of Sir Reginald Mohun and Sir Barnard Grenville. *Annexed,*

54. I. *Mittimus of Sir Reginald Mohun and Sir Barnard Grenville, for the committal of John Roberts to the gaol of Launceston.* 1629, *August* 7.

54. II. *Certificate of the same persons that John Jeffrey and Thomas Bake had contemptuously refused to do their duty in executing the mittimus above mentioned.*

[May 12 ?] 55. Petition of John Jeffrey and Thomas Bake, the constables above mentioned, to the Council. Set forth the reasons why they did not think themselves justified in conveying Mr. Roberts to Launceston gaol under the mittimus above mentioned. Having been drawn 200 miles from their dwellings they pray that they may be admitted to their counsel for their farther defence. [*By order of Council this day these petitioners were discharged; the Dep. Lieuts. who were present, were ordered on their return to repair to the Bishop of Exeter, and intreat him to give directions for taking off the excommunication against Robert Rous; John Roberts was commanded to attend the musters in future, and Rous was blamed for not having brought his complaint before the Dep. Lieuts. of his own division of the county. Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* v., *p.* 794.]

May 12.
Whitehall. 56. Warrant of the Council for Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, who is about to make his immediate repair to Boston, co. Lincoln, and thence to Hatfield, co. York, to be furnished with five posthorses and a guide in his said journey and back again.

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May 12. 57. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. In reply to complaints of want of anchors and other provisions of boatswains' and carpenters' stores on board the Convertive.

May 12? 58. Lord President Conway to Sir John Hume. Has received his letter and the contract which had cost so much labour and time. On the contract being put to his son, Sir George Hume, he took time for advice, and in the end refused to subscribe it. Can make no other construction of his exceptions but that there is some change in his affection or resolution. Shall neither seek him nor rely further on the treaty, nor incommodate himself by keeping the portion-money by him. Requests according to a paper signed by the writer and Patrick Hume that the statutes may be delivered back.

May 12. Grimsby Road. 59. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Sends letter to the Lord Treasurer that Capts. Fogg and Powell may be sent on that coast. The mischief will be great and clamours answerable if these parts should be now neglected. So soon as they are gone the Dunkirkers will visit them. Begs him to put Mr. Alcock in mind that victuals be ready for the Mary Rose and Sir Henry's ship. Hopes Lord Pembroke has made way for an Admiral.

[May 12?] 60. A Breviat concerning the Middleburgh business, being a statement of the proceedings of a company of which Alderman Cockaine was the chairman, for the removal of their staple from Middleburgh to Dort.

May 13. 61. The King to Lord Treasurer Weston. On the petition of Sir Thomas Cecil, Jeffrey Warburton, and others, the King accepts from them their lands at Croft, co. Lincoln, and in consideration thereof, grants them such lands of equal value within the survey of the Exchequer or Duchy of Lancaster as they shall make choice of. He is to give warrant to the Attorney General accordingly. *Underwritten,*

61. I. *Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath, to pursue the directions above given.* 1630, *May* 14.

May 13. 62. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Have considered the petition of Mary Saunders for the wages of her deceased brother, Richard Saunders, who served in the Desire, of Ipswich, under Capt. Lewis Powell. Saunders was discharged out of the Desire on 23 Jan. 1628, although he had been buried at Sidlesham, co. Sussex, on the 6th of the same January; but Capt. Powell raised this man and brought him to demand his wages, and to give consent that Powell should receive the same for him, who accordingly did receive the same. The inclosed will lay open the whole business. *Inclosed,*

62. I. *Copies of three certificates. I. That Richard Saunders was discharged, and licensed to repair to Deptford for his pay. II. That he served from* 25 *April* 1627 *to* 23 *Jan. following. III. That coming to see some friends at Sidlesham he there died, and was there buried,* 6 *Jan.* 1628.

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62. II. *Statement of John Harpur, John Acworth, and Edward Falkener, that having refused to pay Capt. Lewis Powell, on his own receipt, the pay due to Richard Saunders, he brought a proper seaman who answered to that name, and willed that the Captain should receive his pay, "for he "ought him money, and he might pay himself, and give "him the rest."* [*Copy.*]

May 13. 63. Edmund Bolton to his brother, Endymion Porter, one of the Gentlemen of the Bedchamber. Has gladly received his final pleasure concerning the business of which he wrote last. In the writer Porter not only has sincerity and humility, but also such authority over him as brings forth absolute obedience.

May 14. Order of the Council of War recommending a petition of Chamber keepers and Messengers to the Council, and that they should give the petitioners an allowance for their pains and charges. [*Copy. The date* 14 *May may be doubtful. See* 1630, *June* 5, *Vol.* clxviii., *No.* 18.]

May 14. 64. Philip Burlamachi to the Council. In further explanation of a complaint of non-payment of arrears for Count Mansfeldt's expedition, made against him by Capt. Ouseley. He was not Treasurer to Count Mansfeldt's troops, but had money put into his hands to make over to him, which he did. Divers officers who had notes of Mr. Dalbier, obtained a privy seal in June 1627, for payment of 5,835*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.*, which the writer paid. Capt. Ouseley is not mentioned in that privy seal, but only his Lieutenant, who was paid.

May 14. 65. Petition of Wm. Bagwell to the same. The Lords having referred a complaint of petitioner to Sir Maurice Abbot, Aldermen Heylyn and Garraway, and others, they cannot make an end thereof, for that the parties complained of are refractory. Prays that his complaint may receive a final end without further suits in law, [*Referred to the Lord Keeper. Reg. Concil., Car.* I., *Vol.* v., *p.* 808].

May 14. 66. Petition of Sir Edward Bishop to the same. The difference between Thomas Sherley and the petitioner is concerning an annuity, the truth of which cause is here annexed. Mr. Sherley confessed to the Lords that he had a late resolution to have killed the petitioner, nor is he yet safe. His wife, hourly expecting her delivery, prays that he may depart into the country for the present. *Annexed,*

66. I. *Statement of the case between Sir Edward Bishop and Thomas Sherley, who claims an annuity of* 40*l.* *given by the late Sir Thomas Bishop to Henry Sherley, deceased. When Sir Edward was under trial for the death of Henry Sherley, he promised to continue this annuity to Thomas Sherley. The present disputes arose out of the non-performance of that promise.*

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May 14. On board the Convertive. 67. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. Relates his chase of a Dunkirker. He stood after them thirty-two glasses, and got upon them, so that by Tuesday morning, 3 o'clock, he was within less than a league, and of necessity she must have been either his or the seas, taken or sunk, had she not rescued herself by running into shoal water at the mouth of the Somme. She had been his had he had ten leagues more of open chase, or a Whelp to have plied betwixt the land and her. Prays that the Tenth Whelp may attend him. In Calais Road met with two French ships riding with their flags aloft, which he took down for them with a bullet. On Monday intends to sail for the Land's End.

May 14. Weymouth and Melcombe Regis. 68. Certificate and petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and others, of Weymouth and Melcombe Regis, on behalf of Robert Blake, of Dorchester, merchant, to Lord Treasurer Weston. Robert Blake being at Middleburgh on 15 February last, freighted the Tessal [Texel?], of Medenblick, with masts for that port. The officers of the Customs have refused to enter the same ship by reason of the proclamation of 7 March last, prohibiting the importation of such commodities in other than English bottoms. The commodities being much wanted in that town, petitioners pray that they may be landed.

May 14. Stanstead Mountfitchet. 69. Wm. Lord Maynard to Edward Lord Howard. Thomas Melborne, a printer in Cambridge, having a house in Great Chesterford, has brought his own wife with two other married women and their children thither, whose husbands come every Saturday from Cambridge, and return thither on Monday, which puts the inhabitants of Great Chesterford in great fear, by reason of the grievous plague that now is at Cambridge. Repeats orders given to the constables, and desires him to procure directions from the Council.

May 14. Mermaid tavern. 70. Thos. Grove to Endymion Porter. Had given attendance before the Lords, but to no effect, Scott being out of town. Begs him to move some of the Lords to free him from this extraordinary charge, and fear of the plague.

May 14. Exeter. 71. Bishop Hall of Exeter to Bishop Laud. Will attend the appointment of Bishop Laud and the Lord Keeper for hearing the difference betwixt him and Mr. Nansog, although the journey is long and his body weak. Sent him an account of the cause, in any clause whereof, if he be disproved, let him suffer shame and censure. Before he received any letter from Bishop Laud had given an advowson of the Archdeaconry to one more worthy than Mr. Nansog.

May 14. Colchester. 72. Bailiffs of Colchester to the same. Richard Madden, B.D., and general preacher of that town, was licensed to preach in the churches of St. Botolph and St. James, but having now accepted St. Peter's, according to his Majesty's late orders, they signify that St. Peter's is a convenient church for the people to assemble in, and desire that their weekly sermons may be there.

May 15. 73. Petition of George Deakin, of Cavendish, co. Suffolk, yeoman, to the Council. John Frier, on 22 March, coming into a wheat-field

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of petitioner's with his piece, two setting dogs, and a net, took a brace of partridges, one whereof he let fly again, but pulled the neck of the other. Petitioner, with the rest of the inhabitants, having received strict charge for preservation of the King's game, prosecuted Frier in an action of trespass, not knowing him to be authorized for his Majesty's service. Shortly afterwards petitioner received by Frier a letter from Sir John Carleton, Master of his Majesty's Game there. He was pressed for an immediate answer, but taking till the next morning to consider of it, notwithstanding order was given next day for stay of proceedings, petitioner has been brought up by a messenger. Prays his discharge. [*Ordered this day, Co. Reg., Car.* I., *Vol.* v., *p.* 800.]

May 15. 74. Justices of the Peace for Kent to the Constables of the Hundred of Westgate, in that county. Warrant, in obedience to an order of the Council, to put in execution the laws against rogues, vagabonds, and idle wandering persons, as a principal means to prevent the dispersing of the plague. [*Copy.*] *Annexed,*

74. I. *Articles to be observed and executed within the said hundred.* [*Similar articles were sent to the hundreds of Bleansgate, Ringelow, Bridge, and Petham, and the borough of Langport.*]

May 17. 75. Petition of Sir Francis Cottington, Sir Richard Tichborne, Sir Harvey Bagot, George Walker, and John Draycott, to the King. Draycott being seised of lands in cos. Stafford, Salop, Derby, and Leicester, in marriage with his eldest son Philip Draycott, conveyed said lands to the other petitioners for the lives of John and Philip and their wives. Since the making of the said conveyance petitioners understand the estate to be incumbered by the recusancy of said John and Philip. Pray the King to grant the petitioners all debts by reason of the same recusancy, and to release his title for that cause, John Draycott having a grant from the late King under a yearly rent for his life, the payment whereof he is most willing to continue. *Underwritten,*

75. I. *Direction to the Attorney General to prepare the grant and release desired. Whitehall,* 1630, *May* 17.

May 17. Hinton. 76. John Lord Poulett to his cousin, Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for favours conferred on the writer's cousin, Sir Philip Carteret. Has long entertained a strong hope of the Sec.'s good success in the business he mentions, though his letter makes the writer apprehend difficulties in it. Thinks he is but in jest with him.

May 17. The Strand. 77. Edward Viscount Wimbledon to the same. Understands by Mr. Woder that the Sec. has stopped his business at the Privy Seal. The writer was the reviver of the business of the extorted fees in the Lord Duke's time, and Mr. Woder the first that brought that project to the writer. He was the clerk that followed it until supplanted by Dibble, whom Woder himself brought in to assist him. Woder has received a great deal of wrong.

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May 17. 78. Capt. Wm. Yong to Nicholas. Dr. Rives tells the writer he must have patience till the holidays be past, and then he will be ready to speak to Nicholas concerning the dollars. Prays a loan of 40*s.* in the meantime. The ships that have taken this Brazilman had no letters of marque.

May 17. 79. Dr. John Tolson to Bishop Laud, Chancellor of Oxford. On the return of Mr. Tucker from London, the writer intreated Dr. Bancroft and Dr. Prideaux to be assisting to him. By reason of Mr. Tosor's absence, Mr. Tucker only appeared. The sum of his answer was, that he was so far from abetting those differences which had so much disturbed the peace of our church as that it was his whole drift to silence them. He thought his Majesty's proclamation would prevail more than the late synod. When it was replied that naming them in public was to revive or add new strength to them, and therefore that from thenceforth he should beware of such dangerous consequences, he promised to do so. So much for Mr. Tucker. When the other returns, will endeavour somewhat concerning him.

May 18. Convertive in the Downs. 80. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Detained by hard south-west winds. Has watched the Straights merchants and lighted upon some goods of Peter Ricott's [Rycaut's], as a letter inclosed will show him. Begs him to see that no post entry or other cunning trick be put upon them. Will not be forgetful of his care in this behalf. Till he hears from Nicholas will not deliver them, though he should now bring cockets.

May 18. London. 81. Wm. Towerson to the same. The Spanish bark Mr. Littleton is to have. Lord Carlisle wrote for the delivery of the bark. Towerson answered that he must first have a discharge from the Lords. Prays that in the order for discharge, provision may be made for payment of charges disbursed by Wentworth, Towerson's son-in-law.

May 18. Fakenham Magna. 82. Sir Lionel Tollemache to the same. Gave his account to a man of his to write it fair, and he is gone away. Cannot therefore deliver it by the day. Prays Nicholas to get him a longer day of the Lords.

May 18. Hammersmith. 83. Edmund Earl of Mulgrave to Sir Henry Marten. Has received his letter requiring an account of profits within the Vice-Admiralty of Yorkshire. The Judge of the Admiralty Court at York absolutely debarred the Earl's officer from executing anything belonging to his place, and gave for reason that where there was not a Lord Admiral there could be no Vice Admiral.

May 19. 84. The King to Sir James Bagg. Warrant to seize for the King's use a Portugal or Spanish ship brought into Plymouth by the Expectation and the Unity, having been surprised without any commission. [*Draft much altered by Nicholas, and indorsed by him as "The Draft of an irregular warrant presented by Sir James Bagg*

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" *to my Lord Treasurer to be signed, concerning the prize brought* " *in by the Expectation and Unity.*"]

May 19. 85. Certificate of Stephen Dunton and others, masters of ships, addressed to Sec. Dorchester. Robert Cock, son and heir of Richard Cock, three times bailiff of Ipswich, is of sufficient ability to command one of his Majesty's ships.

May 19. 86. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. This morning the merchants brought certain inclosed cockets, but he keeps the goods until he hears from the Lord Treasurer. A pinnace of the Earl of Warwick's, Daniel Hurry, master, came into the Downs, to stop a ship of John Slaney's laden with serges, and bound, as the skipper says, for Bayonne, but it may be for Spain. Understanding the purpose of Hurry, the writer, out of bounden duty to the King, and great good will to the worthy Earl of Warwick, saved his people that labour, and stayed her for his Majesty till she bring a discharge. Learned the news by a Leigh hoy which came out of the Thames with the pinnace, and prevented his Lordship by two or three hours. Begs advice.

May 19. 87. Note by Capt. John Mason and Matthew Brodley, of speeches uttered by John Griffin, late a trooper under Sir William Cunningham, in the Isle of Rhé, who accused Capt. Mason of cozening the King.

May 20 ? Carleton near Penrith. 88. Thomas Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. The bearer, his noble friend, has done service in apprehending several of the most notorious malefactors that have been there these many years, whereof eighteen have been executed at Carlisle. In this he has got much ill will, both in England and Scotland, from men of higher pitch than malefactors; wishes him to move the Earl of Holland on the writer's behalf for a poor Stewardship of Penrith courts, which the writer has renewed four times from several princes. P.S. Is advertized that this place is procured over his head by Mr. Tomkins, attendant on the Earl of Holland. He must offend Tomkins or suffer the writer to stand disgraced.

20. Westminster. 89. John Griffith to Nicholas. Sends copy of account already rendered in the Court of Admiralty.

May 20. On board the Mary Rose, in Margate Roads. 90. Capt. Francis Sydenham to the same. Sir Henry Mervyn sent him to waft the colliers as far as Orford Ness, which he has done, and returned to the Downs, where he will stand to and again till he has further orders.

May 20. 91. Certificate of Robert Story and others, that John Seale, son of Edward Seale, master gunner of the St. Andrew, is a sufficient gunner to undertake the charge of a small ship.

May 20. Office of Ordnance. 92. Objections against a proposition to transfer the debentures payable out of the ordinary charge for the office of Ordnance to the estimates. [*Indorsed are various notes by Sec. Coke, among them*

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names of Commissioners for the Ordnance, and a memorandum for the Earl of Seaforth, Sir William Alexander, Sir William Monson, and Capt. Mason, to be at the Lord Treasurer's on Saturday morning, and the Earl's patent to be brought with his propositions.]

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[May 21 ?] 1. Petition of Sir Francis Browne to the King. Prays a renewal of his protection for two years. During the past year has been afflicted with grievous sickness. To satisfy his creditors is his only desire.

May 21. 2. Lord President Conway to Wm. Trumbull, on a mediation between James Morgan, executor of Serjeant-major Watkins and Jane Watkins the widow, it was agreed that the widow should sue for the moiety of the entertainment due to the deceased Sergeant-major, the executor laying no claim thereto.

May 21. Kingston-upon-Hull. 3. Mayor and others of Kingston-upon-Hull to the Council. Thanks for their care and his Majesty's grace and goodness in affording their merchants a convoy under Sir Henry Mervyn. It will be necessary to have a constant convoy on those coasts during time of hostility. Sir Henry Mervyn departed on the 18th May instant with 16 sail of ships for Holland, Hamburgh, and Eastland, laden with cloth and lead.

May 21. The Downs. 4. Capt. Lewis Powell to the Lords of the Admiralty. According to their commands have given at and about Newhaven road since the last spring. The place is very difficult, and seldom they get opportunities of coming forth. On Wednesday three of the five barks got forth in one tide. One of the barks being careless in the stowing of her guns, narrowly escaped oversetting. Solicits order whether they shall remain in the Downs, till the other two can be got forth, or be convoyed over without them.

May 22. Southampton. 5. Mayor and others of Southampton to the Council. There came lately to that town three strangers of Dunkirk, Anthony Carpenter, George Cowper, and John Abella, who being at sea in a man-of-war of Dunkirk, and chased by three States men-of-war, put ashore about Portland, as they say; the rest of their company being gone to London another way. Present them to be disposed of as their Lordships shall think fit.

May 22. 6. Memorandum that Mr. Stone, counsellor at law on behalf of the City of London, and Francis Zachary and others, had attended at the Council Board, ready to defend the liberties of the City, which the Earl of Holland claims in St. Bartholomew's; but by reason of the Earl's absence, they were discharged of further attendanee.

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May 22. Kingston-upon-Hull.

7. Mayor and others of Kingston-on-Hull to Thomas Viscount Wentworth, Lord Lieutenant, and President of the Council in the North. On Tuesday the 18th inst., Sir Henry Mervyn departed in the Reformation with sixteen sail of ships, bound for Holland and the Eastland, all laden with cloth. According to his Lordship's advice, they have written letters of thanks to the Council and the Lord Treasurer. In a P.S. it is announced that some of the ships which had sailed with Sir Henry Mervyn for Holland had returned, on the ground that Sir Henry stood not a direct course for Holland, but more to the North. The Master of the Reformation, on being remonstrated with, said, if they would not go his course they might go their own. These ships have this day gone to sea again without convoy.

May 22. On board the Tenth Whelp, Margate Road.

8. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to Nicholas. Understands that the Lord Ambassador comes overland. Begs supply of provision. Mr. Slaney had a bark come by to-day that came from Malaga with fruit. She was chased into Dartmouth by three Dunkirkers. As soon as he receives his victuals shall go to the westward with Capt. Plumleigh, who stays for his company.

May 22. Lynn.

9. Richard Gybs to Endymion Porter. Is there, lame. Begs a warrant from Lord Suffolk for a buck out of Somersham Park. There are good young does at Rising of the Earl Marshal's. Has tried the largest soles that ever he saw, fried them, and pickled them as Porter taught him; but the oil was bad and hurt them.

May 22. Rochester.

10. Certificate of the Mayor of Rochester and John Goldwell, of the arrest of Zaccheus Ivett, in two actions at the suit of Thomas Busher.

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11. Certificate of Sir Richard Sutton and George Bingley, that there was due to Evan Watkins, as Serjeant-major to Colonel Harwood's regiment, in the expeditions to Cadiz and Rhé, 207*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, besides 385*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.* formerly paid.

May 23.

12. Account by Wm. Weld of disbursements for Sir Wm. Pelham; it includes 10*l.* paid to Mr. Wright, the stone-cutter, at Charing Cross, towards a tomb he is making for Sir William; and 26*l.* to Lady Pelham to pay for a new coach.

May 24.

13. Petition of Robert Blake, of Dorchester, merchant, to the Council. Prays permission to land the goods mentioned in the petition of the Mayor and others of Weymouth and Melcombe Regis (1630, *May* 14, *Vol.* clxvi., *No.* 68.) *Underwritten,*

13. I. *Certificate of the consent of the Company of Eastland merchants.* 1630, *May* 24.

May 24.

14. Petition of Wm. Gamull of Chester, in behalf of himself and other merchants of that city, to the same. On petition that the merchants of that city might have liberty to freight ships as they should like, notwithstanding an order of the 5 Dec. 1627, obtained by Mr. Edwardes to prohibit the same, the Lords, by an

order of 26 Feb. last, gave Mr. Edwardes till the third Friday in Easter Term to make good his said order. That day being past, and nothing by Mr. Edwardes performed, petitioner prays for a final order. [*By order made this day, the petitioner was discharged from further attendance, and the order of 5 Dec.* 1627 *revoked. Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* v., *p.* 796.]

May 24. The Convertive. 15. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Has discharged all things that were stayed. The winds are so strong at S.S.W. that they cannot possibly get to the Isle of Wight. Hopes to clear the west country of Dunkirkers, but as yet the Whelp is not ready to go with him, but lies in Margate Road expecting her victual.

May 24. 16. Capt. Lewis Powell to the same. On Friday wrote to the Lords concerning the Newhaven barks. Gives a particular report of the state of his victuals, much of which was bad. His ship sprung a leak coming from Newhaven. His master always beastly drunk.

May 25. 17. Petition of Thomas Keyme to the King. Prays pardon for a charge of having stolen a horse twelve years ago of one John Pearne. *Underwritten,*

17. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *May* 25.

May 25. 18. Petition of John Prynne to the same. Thomas Adams, late of Wembury, co. Devon, provoked petitioner's son, Thomas Prynne, and assaulted him so that a conflict arising Adams was slain. The fact is found manslaughter by the coroner's inquest and the grand jury. Prays for a pardon. *Underwritten,*

18. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon, if he find it may be fitly granted. Whitehall,* 1630, *May* 25. *Annexed,*

18. II. *Certificate of Parishioners of Wembury, including "Edwardus Elyott, minister," and of the Mayor and Magistrates of Plympton, that Thomas Adams was a person of lewd and idle conversation, but that Thomas Prynne is a young man, honest, civil, and well-behaved.* 1630, *March* 22.

18. III. *Copy of the finding of the Coroner's jury on the death of Thomas Adams.*

18. IV. *Copy indictment of Thomas Prynne for the manslaughter of Thomas Adams, as found by the Grand Jury.*

May 25. 19. Sir Henry Marten and Attorney General Heath to the Lords of the Admiralty. Are of opinion that, as farmers to the King in right of the Duchy of Cornwall, the town of Dartmouth have no right to any droits belonging to the Admiralty; to wrecked goods they have right, but for goods sunk in the sea they have no right. It is just that they whom his Majesty shall appoint may quietly proceed in gaining ordnance and other things specified in the commission to Jacob Johnson, the diver.

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May 25. 20. Duplicate of the same, signed by Sir Henry Marten only.

May 25. 21. Copy of the same.

May 25. 22. Petition of Capt. Dawtry Cooper to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having received commission to employ himself in his Majesty's service on the coast of Ireland, which employment Sir Thomas Button claimed and obtained, after petitioner had been at vast charge in carrying his goods and retinue to Bristol, he prays that he may receive his full pay with some allowance towards his charges.

May 25. Fakenham Magna. 23. Sir Lionel Tollemache to Nicholas. By the inclosed he will perceive how he is crossed for his account. Will send it as soon as he can get it. *Incloses,*

23. I. *Henry Dade to Sir Lionel Tollemache. Had caused his man Thomas Fastolffe to make answer. Is sorry that his mislaying of papers has disabled him for the present. Incloses,*

23. I. 1. [*Thomas Fastolffe to Henry Dade.*] *Cannot find his last account, but sends such particulars of the size of the masts from Aldborough as he can obtain.*

May 25. Stratton. 24. Thomas Nicholas to his cousin Edward Nicholas. To procure a pursership for William Cox, the writer's sister's son.

May 25. Farnham Castle. 25. Bishop Neile of Winchester to Francis Windebank. Has promised his brother Dr. Newell to be a suitor for placing his son at Winchester. If he will release the writer of that promise, he will yield Windebank all the help he may. Windebank's brother Reade was with the writer last term, about his business in the High Commission. It was resolved to refer the case to the writer as the ordinary, but his counsel said he desired it should be proceeded in by the Commision. If it come to be censured, Reade will have the worst of it. Admit he has other matters against Parson Whistler, what will he gain when both shall be punished by fine and imprisonment?

May 25. Burderop. 26. William Calley to Endymion Porter. Is glad to hear that he has purchased a park of the King because he presumes Porter has no ill bargain. Solicits a brace of bucks to be given to Edward Fettiplace, a kinsman of the writer, who is to be reader at Lincoln's Inn this next vacation.

May 26. Whitehall. 27. Order of Council for referring a petition of Christopher Bainbridge and others, with the Armourers and Gunmakers of London, about a commission for yearly dressing, stamping, and repairing of the common arms of England, to the Attorney General to consider and report to the Board. [*Copy.*]

May 26. 28. Sir James Cambell, Lord Mayor of London, and others, to the Council. They conceive that the excessive prices of victual at this present chiefly arise from the causes thereinafter mentioned. Amongst them are the unseasonableness of the spring of 1629 and

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the smaller store in consequence of hay, straw, and stover, which discouraged the butchers from making provision of fat cattle; the immoderate rains of the last winter and spring, and the murrain that has ensued. Of late years there have been brought to Cheapside market upon a Saturday seventeen or eighteen hundred "veals," and this spring not above two or three hundred. The people which are lately gone for New England and other plantations have carried with them great store of victuals. Great scarcity of fresh fish, the fishermen not being able to venture to sea for fear of the Dunkirkers, and for the like cause, corn, butter, and cheese are not brought out of Norfolk, Suffolk, and other parts as formerly.

May 26. 29. Petition of Sir Robert Heath to the Council. He has lately taken by lease from the Dean and Chapter of Durham a parcel of land at South Shields with purpose to build a ballast shore. He desires to use this ballast shore with such moderation as to entertain great ships only. Prays them to hear the question between the church of Durham and himself as their farmer and the town of Newcastle, and to do what shall be just and fit. *Underwritten,*

29. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer. Whitehall,* 1630, *May* 26. [*Copy.*]

May 26. 30. Petition of his Majesty's Posts to the same. By order of 30 May 1623 it was directed that the petitioners, on their several receipts, should pay 6*d.* per pound for fees, and 12*d.* for every acquittance, to Lord Stanhope. By an order of 4 June 1624 the 6*d.* per pound was raised to 12*d.* Pray a confirmation of the order of 30 May 1623. [*By an order of this date the prayer of this petition was granted, and a vacat directed to be set upon the order of* 4 *June* 1624, *Co. Reg. Car. I., Vol.* v., *p.* 834.]

May 26? Carleton, near Penrith. 31. Thomas Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. Sends his servant to explain all the circumstances connected with the appointment of Mr. Tomkins as Steward of Penrith Courts. Solicits the Secretary's aid therein.

May 26. 32. Abstract of account of the Wardrobe of Robes from the Annunciation 1625 to the like period in 1630. The first year's expenditure (which included the mourning for King James, robes for the new sovereign, repairing the hangings of the wardrobe, the King's journey to Dover, the progress, the stables, and the coronation) amounted to 15,363*l.* 6*s.* 1*d.* The expenses of the four years were 27,781*l.* 8*s.* 5½*d.*, of which 10,281*l.* 8*s.* 5½*d.* remained unpaid.

May 26. 33. Charles Chauncey to Bishop Laud. Submission in respect to the complaints against him in the High Commission, referred to Bishop Laud as ordinary. *Lat.* (*See Vols.* clxiv, *No.* 40, *and* clxv, *Nos.* 10 *and* 16.)

May 26. 34. William Sparke, Rector of Bletchley; John Aris, Vicar of Steeple Claydon; Richard Brett, Rector of Quainton; Henry Wilkinson, Rector of Waddesdon, and six others, clergymen in the neighbourhood of Winslow, co. Bucks, to the same The lecture at

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Winslow was confirmed by Bishop Montaigne, and before him by Bishop King. Intreat him to give way to so pious a work, so necessary for that place, so profitable for the whole country. Most of them are out of the London diocese, but being neighbours to the place, and peaceable and conformable to the present discipline, they hope he will take them into his patronage, and strengthen them in that lecture that has been so well begun, and continued without any just offence to any man.

May 27. Whitehall. Proclamation to confirm to his Majesty's subjects their defective titles, estates, and possessions (as well by colour of former grants, as without any grant from the Crown) by his commission lately renewed and granted to that purpose. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 124.] *Annexed,*

1. *Abstract of the several heads and branches for which his Majesty's Commissioners, by virtue of his commission of grace of* 23 *January last past, have power to compound.* [*Ibid, No.* 125.]

May 27. Whitehall. 35. The Council to the Justices and Treasurer for maimed soldiers in co. Salop. To grant a pension to Edward Taylor who has brought testimonies of his service from six earls, that is, the Lord Chamberlain and the Earls of Holland, Hertford, Essex, St. Alban's, and Warwick. The statute directs a provision to be made for maimed soldiers either where they were pressed or where they had been resident the last three years. This man was never out of their county, but only when he was in service.

May 27. Carleton, near Penrith. 36. Thomas Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. In a late private conference concerning the Star Chamber bill against the Earl of Bedford and others, for publishing a pamphlet projecting means to enrich his Majesty and bridle the impertinence of Parliaments, one then suggested that his Majesty should call into the Mint all the gold, silver, and plate in the three kingdoms, and make every 10*d.* to be by the new coin current 12*d.*, not by embasing but by enhancing the value. Every man bringing in his moneys to have 13*d.* back again in the new coin for his old 12*d.*, so as his Majesty should have a full twelfth part of all the gold, silver, and plate in his three kingdoms, and the subject the same proportion more than he hath, only the merchant will protest against the fall of his commodities, which being examined, will not prove so. Submits the proposal to his consideration.

May 27. His Majesty's Fort. [Plymouth.] 37. Sir James Bagg to Nicholas. The Expectation's commission was 13 or 14 months expired, since which she has been in merchandizing voyages. The Unity had no commission. If she had had a warrant could have made an easy composition.

May 27. 38. Capt. John Pennington to the same. Recommends George Rivers for cook of the Victory. States his former services.

May 27. Bristol. 39. Wm. Willett to the same. Thanks for endeavour to procure Willett some benefit. Sugar prize brought in by the Mary of

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Bristol. Sir Thos. Button fell down with the Ninth Whelp the 8th of this month, and cannot be past Milford, the wind has been so contrary. The Fifth Whelp is at Pennarth, and has been 14 days expecting a fair wind. It is said there are some "pickroes" [picaroons] in the Channel.

May 28. Bristol. 40. William Drake to Nicholas. Mr. Powell, of the port of Bristol, one of the Custom House, demands money on every chest of sugar for grocery, which has never yet been paid by any Admiral. Desires the order of the Lords of the Admiralty thereon.

May 29. 41. Sec. Dorchester to the English Ambassadors in Foreign Countries. Minute of a letter announcing that her Majesty falling into travail about 4 of the clock that morning, was before noon the happy mother of a Prince of Wales.

May 29 ? 42. Petition of Robert Robotham to the King. Petitioner's grandfather, Robert Robotham, was by Henry VIII. made the first servant to the last prince born in this kingdom, to attend in the place of Yeoman of the Robes, which place he filled from his appointment before the birth of Prince Edward, afterwards Edward VI., until some time in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. Prays that he may succeed his ancestor in the like office to this Prince just born.

May 29. Hertford. 43. Wm. Hoe, Sheriff of Herts, to the Council. Has obeyed their directions for punishment of rogues and vagabonds. In the division of Waltham Cross there have been apprehended 33 vagrants; in Cheshunt Street Ward, 17; and in the hundreds of Hertford and Braughing, 56; all which have been punished and passed away.

[May 29 ?] 44. Notes by Sec. Dorchester concerning the "proposition to "bridle the impertinency of Parliaments;" perhaps intended to be used in his speech on the hearing this day in the Star Chamber of the cause against Sir Robert Cotton, the Earls of Bedford and Somerset, and others. They conclude thus:—"Being in the place "of trust and secrecy that I am, I praise God I may say with a "good conscience, that I have seen nothing in his Majesty's courses "or commandments which may any ways offend a just mind."

May 29. Hereford. 45. Deputy Lieutenants of co. Hereford to the Council. According to letters of the Council of 1 March 1628 and 12 July 1628, the writers billeted 300 soldiers in that county, whereof 80 were sent to Richard Weaver, then Mayor of Hereford, which number he billeted in that city during their stay, which was 17 weeks. Being now sued, he fears that what is attempted but by one may be a leading case to the rest, and so draw on his back the whole charge, unless by their Lordships he may be preserved.

May 29. Ragley. 46. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. State of Lord Conway's horses at Ragley, arrangements made for them and propriety of selling certain which are unlikely to make a recompense for the charge of keeping.

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May 29. Deptford. 47. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. Recommends Edward Lockier, who almost lost his life by a malicious stab of a surgeon, intended for Edisbury, for cook of the Victory, in place of —— Sampson, deceased.

May 29. Charterhouse. 48. Certificate of Dudley Lord North in favour of George Rivers, who had served him as cook for nine years, and had been cook on occasions to the Earls of Nottingham, Oxford, and Lindsey.

[May 30.] 49. The King to the Corporate Officers of the principal Cities and Towns of the kingdom. To announce to them the birth of a Prince at the King's manor of St. James on the 29th inst. [*Copy.*]

[May 30 ?] 50. Draft of the same, corrected by Sec. Dorchester.

May 30. 51. William Willoughby to ——. Reports his proceedings in felling trees in co. Oxford. Can get no carts at the King's price, which is 5*d.* a mile, and desires instructions therein. At Oxford there is a privilege that no carts can be taken up without the Vice-Chancellor's consent. They promise help, and the Justices bid him take up carts, but to give them content, which is three times the King's price.

May 31. Westminster. 52. The King to Bishop Laud. It having pleased God to vouchsafe unto the King a son, according to the laudable custom of his royal progenitors, he makes known the joyful tidings to him, as Bishop of London, by Sir William Segar, Garter.

May 31. Whitehall. Order of Council referring a petition [of or against one Higgenson ?] to the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, if Higgenson be within that jurisdiction, or if not, he, or Sir Edward Dering or Sir Thomas Culpeper, is to bind Higgenson over to make his answer before the Council. [*See* 11 *Dec.* 1629, *Vol.* cliii., *No.* 48.]

May 31. Hinxhill-court. 53. Richard Browne, Sheriff of Kent, to the Council. Dispersed copies of their letters for the suppression of vagrants into several parts of the county. In those parts vagrants are suppressed, and watch and ward is kept carefully. Hears there is the like care taken in other parts of the county.

May 31. 54. Petition of John Griffen, a trooper under Capt. Cunningham, to the Council. Speaking with Capt. Mason touching his arrear of pay, and having such evil language from him, as nature would not have endured of an enemy, he unadvisedly returned some unseemly words, for which he is committed to the Marshalsea, where he remains destitute of means for food. Prays them to accept his humble submission and order his release. [*Discharge ordered this day. Co. Reg. Car. I., Vol.* v., *p.* 830.]

May 31. 55. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. According to their letter send a certificate of the quantity and weight of cordage now in store, and what is wanting for service. Totals, in store, 763 tons; wanting, 525 tons; in the ships, 116 tons; which leaves 409

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tons to be provided; the expense of which at 30*s.* per cwt. is 12,271*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.* *Inclosed,*

55. I. *Copy of certificate of cordage above mentioned.*

May 31. 56. Kenrick Edisbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. Recommends Edward Lockier for cook of the Victory.

May 31. 57. Petition of Jacob Johnson, the diver, to the same. Prays that he may have satisfaction from the town of Dartmouth for his loss, discharge, and charge of 150*l.*, occasioned by their interruption of his work of recovering ordnance sunk near that town.

May 31. Apthorpe. 58. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. Understands that the commission for the office of Justice in Eyre, granted to the Lord Privy Seal and others, was but got out for finishing a business which Lord Danby prosecutes against hunters in Cornbury Park, and that when that cause is censured the Lord Chamberlain is likely to be Justice in Eyre. Prays him to move his Majesty in that case to except Rockingham Forest from the patent, and to grant it to her son.

May 31. Whitley. 59. Sir Wm. Russell to [Endymion Porter?]. Hopes to hear of the recovery of his noble Lady. Begs him to procure for the writer a warrant for a brace of bucks to bestow on a reader of the Inner Temple.

May 31. 60. Order of the Court of Exchequer in a cause of Giles Clutterbuck against George Clarke, respecting a claim to the Castle of Worcester. The bill was dismissed on the ground that there was no Castle at Worcester except the common gaol for the county, which was in the ward of the Sheriff and annexed to his Bailiwick, and of which the defendant was the gaoler. [*Copy.*]

May 31. Bury. 61. Dep. Lieuts. of Suffolk to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Lieut. of that County. In reply to their letter touching the satisfaction of George Annis for watching the beacon of Yaxley, and also of John Friend and Wm. Kemp of Dunwich for 28*l.* 10*s.* due at our Lady 1629. There is an arrear of about 300*l.* for the same affairs. The beacons of Norfolk have not been watched of late. Hope he will not impose a greater charge upon Suffolk than upon Norfolk. If he orders them to levy the money, they will do so.

May 31. Foxcott. 62. Wm. Cannyng to his brother Endymion Porter. Have there his pretty little ones in safety. They shall want nothing that poor place can afford. Thanks God for the recovery of the writer's sister.

[May.] Charter of Incorporation of the Borough of Huntingdon, by the name of Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, with confirmation of their former liberties and customs. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 1.]

[May?] 63. Petition of George Gardner, prisoner in Newgate, to the King. Was committed by the Council on information of James Ingram,

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Deputy Warden of the Fleet, to prevent the petitioner prosecuting Ingram's notorious extortions in the said prison. Has remained in Newgate ever since 12 April last, and by Ingram's procurement was shut up amongst felons in the common gaol, whereby he might have been murdered. Prays that he may go abroad on security.

[May ?] 64. Petition of the Dean and Prebendaries of Lichfield to the King. On the 27th April, an old chest was opened by the Churchwardens of St. Mary, in Lichfield, belonging to the Dean and Chapter there, and found to contain many ancient writings which concern, as well the state of the church of Lichfield, as many private men's inheritances, which chest the Bailiffs and Town Clerk of Lichfield, although warned by the Bishop and others, took out of the church. Pray that they may be sent to to restore the chest until such time as it appear to whom the evidences appertain.

[May ?] 65. Petition of Sir Robert Cotton to the same. His Majesty's displeasure is the greatest unhappiness which can befal a loyal heart. It heartily grieves him to have given occasion of offence. Is now an old man, and if any acceptable services have been done in his age past, he was willing to have done more. To a prince that vouchsafes his favour and grace, with all humility he most humbly offers his life and future services.

May. 66. Lord President Conway to Foulke Reed. Complains against Purser that he left the house to Mary Smith very much out of repair, that he has encroached upon the land belonging to the house, and that he has committed great spoil in Lord Conway's woods. Anne Cooke is to be informed that it was not Lord Conway who drew her out of the Low Countries, but the importunity of her husband that procured Lord Conway's consent. [*Copy.*]

[May ?] 67. Sir George Hume to Lord President Conway. In treaties of marriage, exactness and uprightness are wholly to be used, according to his Lordship's own words. Thanks for his courteous letter; he shall do as he has promised.

May. 68. Dr. John Prideaux to Sec. Dorchester. Explains that owing to the absence of the Vice-Chancellor and the Dean of Christchurch, and Mons. de Boutelier's hasty return, he did not obtain a degree on his visit to Oxford.

[May ?] 69. Charles Harbord to Endymion Porter. Recites Richard Oliver's propositions for various allowances to be made to him by Endymion Porter, and comments thereon. Recommends a private conference between them.

[May ?] 70. Names of master and crew of a vessel not named.

[May ?] 71. Extracts from printed Orders for Regulation of Houses infected with the Plague.

[May ?] 72. Notes on the propriety of maintaining the office of King's Printer, and the particular service rendered therein by John Bill;

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especially in the printing of various works for the advancement of religion and the honour of the nation: *ex. gr.* the Works of King James; Bradwardine de Causâ Dei; works of Drs. Downame and Robert Abbot; the Bishop of Spalatro's works, "of great charge and loss;" History of the Council of Trent; Books of a Secular priest under the name of Widdrington; the Bible and Service Books in Welsh.

[May ?] 73. Draft of the preceding article, containing matter not to be found in it as finally settled.

[May ?] 74. Eight separate papers of notes taken by Sec. Dorchester, on the hearing of the cause in the Star Chamber, of the Attorney General *versus* Edward Vaughan, Griffith Kiffin, and others, for combination, forgery, and other offences. These notes have been numbered by Lord Dorchester, in a series from I. to VIII. They comprise—

I. Notes of proceedings on 16 April 1630.
II. The like on 21 April.
III. „ on 23 April.
IV. „ on 28 April.
V. „ on 30 April.
VI. „ on 5 May.
VII. „ on 7 May.
VIII. „ on 11 May.

[May ?] 75. Similar notes, stated by Sec. Dorchester to have been taken out of the first pleading in Vaughan's cause, with a series of illustrative papers annexed, principally extracts from evidence, marked with the letters of the alphabet D. to H. One paper marked M. seems to have been so marked by mistake for G. Its contents agree entirely with the description given of the contents of the paper G.

[May ?] 76. Paper of memoranda by Sec. Dorchester, of special points of evidence in Vaughan's case.

[May ?] 77. Further paper by the same, of notes of evidence.

[May ?] 78. Notes by the same, stated to have been "taken out of Sir Robert Vaughan's process."

[May ?] 79. Notes by the same, of speeches in the Star Chamber, of Mr. Justice Harvey, the Lord Chief Justices Richardson and Hyde, Sec. Coke, Sir Thomas Edmondes [Treasurer of the Household], Bishops Neile and Laud, Viscount Falkland, Viscount Wentworth, and others, in giving judgment in Vaughan's case.

[May ?] 80. The state of Lewis's testimony concerning the time of his writing the deed which was in question in Vaughan's case.

[May ?] 81. Copy of the same.

[May ?] 82. Breviat of Vaughan's case on behalf of the Attorney General, plaintiff.

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[May ?] 83. Instructions to move the Court of Wards for a new grant of the wardship of Edward Vaughan, the grant made to Lord Powys being void for nonpayment of rent.

[May ?] 84. Notes of a petition of Edward Vaughan for a legal trial of his title to lands of which he was debarred the possession by an order of the Court of Marches, during the minority of the presumed heir of Sir Robert Vaughan.

[May ?] 85. List of causes specially appointed to be heard in the Star Chamber; Vaughan's case being at the head of the list.

[May ?] 86. Another list of causes specially appointed, in which the above case against Vaughan, and another also against him and others at the suit of Lord Powys, stand at the head of the list.

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June 1. Whitehall. 1. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a Commission for the Lord Treasurer, the Chancellor and Barons of the Exchequer, himself and Mr. Solicitor, to compound for the estates of recusants convict.

June 1. 2. The same to the same. Warrant to make certain verbal alterations in a bill signed for a pardon for David Elder.

June 1. 3. Petition of Sir Cornelius Vermuyden to the King. By agreement dated 24 May 1626, the King granted to the petitioner one-third part of lands in Hatfield Chase and other places in cos. York, Lincoln, and Nottingham, and all persons by petitioner appointed to have such lands conveyed to them were to be enabled thereto. Prays that to enable eighteen persons thereafter mentioned to hold said lands they may be made free denizens. *Underwritten,*

3. 1. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly, if his Majesty has made it part of his contract on draining the lands. Whitehall,* 1 *June* 1630.

June 1. 4. Richard Oliver to Geo. Butler. Thanks for his endeavour to make a friendly end of the difference betwixt the writer and his brother Endymion Porter concerning Hartwell Park. Will that day name a gentleman to suit with Mr. Bishop, and shall be glad if Sir John Walter will take upon him to be umpire. If this be really intended on his brother Porter's part will be glad.

June 1. Fakenham Magna. 5. Sir Lionel Tollemache to Nicholas. William Bardwell, one of his marshals, was on Saturday last arrested at the suit of Sir William Withypoll. Begs Nicholas to certify the Lords of the Admiralty. If they be not well backed, the Vice Admiralty of Suffolk will be nothing worth.

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June 1. St. Julians, near St. Albans. 6. Ja[mes] Rosse [?] to Bishop Laud. Understanding from Mr. Robert Mainwaring, vicar of Winslow, that upon the petition of Dr. Brett and others for the Bishop's approbation of the lecture at Winslow discontinued by reason of his Majesty's late Instructions, the Bishop answered that the state of that place was best known to the writer, being official of the archdeaconry of St. Albans, and that the Bishop could give no answer until certified by the writer what was meet to be done. Certifies that the minister of the place is able and diligent, and all the lecturers beside him are of Lincoln diocese and not subject to the writer's visitations. He shall not be able to do his Majesty service, nor to make due certificate to the Bishop of their conformity, if that which is so opposite to his Majesty's Instructions, being most necessary for the happy estate of the Church, be established amongst them.

June 1. 7. Articles suggesting "some things to be helped in the present "English Liturgy," indorsed by Bishop Laud "certain considerations "upon the Liturgy of the Church of England delivered me by "Mr. J. M." The alterations suggested principally affect the administration of Baptism, and the Lord's Supper, and have for their aim the restoration of passages in the first Liturgy of Edward VI. One example will suffice to show the spirit and nature of the suggested alterations: "In the Exhortation to the Communion;—"Dearly "beloved, for as much as our duty, &c., for otherwise receiving, &c.," "all things to the end are far better in the first [liturgy] than the last: "private confession and absolution better and more expressly uttered."

June 2. Aylesford. 8. Sir John Sedley to Sec. Dorchester. A person who was sometime servant to Lord Conway, but recommended to the writer by Sec. Dorchester, shall have his protection. Thanks for offer of his house, and for his chaplain's coming to see them, the sickness having been in seventeen houses within one mile of his house.

June 3. Westminster. Warrant to the Commissioners for sale of the King's lands to accept from Sir Thomas Cecil and others a grant of lands in Croft in co. Lincoln in exchange for lands of his Majesty of equal value. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 2.]

June 3. Docquet of the same.

June 3. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Edward Sydenham, Captain of Portland Castle, 1,029*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* for renewing the platforms, repair of the edifices, and supply of ordnance and ammunition. [*Ibid., No.* 3.]

June 3. Docquet of the same.

June 3. Westminster. Presentation of John Lesley, M.A., to the rectory or parish church of Harting, co. Suffolk, in his Majesty's gift by simony. [*Ibid., No.* 4.]

June 3. Docquet of the same.

June 3. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir John Carleton 200*l.* for repair of the pale of his Majesty's new erected warren called Wilbraham Bushes, betwixt Newmarket and Shelford, co. Cambridge. [*Ibid., No.* 5.]

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June 3. Docquet of the same.

June 3. Royal Assent to a contract made with his Majesty's Commissioners for sale of lands by Henry Henn, serjeant of his Majesty's carriage, for the park called Folly John Park, its nearness to Windsor notwithstanding. [*Docquet.*]

June 3. 9. Sentence of removal and suspension by the Court of High Commission against John Jones, rector of Ripton Abbatt's, co. Huntingdon, for refusing to adhere to rites and ceremonies in the book of public prayers.

June 3. Cressing Temple. 10. Wm. Smith to Nicholas. Is to appear before the Lords, but not being very well, and an old man, he intreats him to make his excuse. If he cannot come shortly, will send one in his name.

June 3. 11. John Philipott, Somerset Herald, to the same. Mr. Treswell has given order for felling timber on the manor of Gillingham, which lies so conveniently, for the use of the Navy, that he suggests the Lords of the Admiralty should take order for preserving the timber.

June 3. 12. Confession of John Peacock, of Bexley, Kent, that John Billeo, of the same place, carpenter, asserted that he came off from a business before the Council with more credit than Sir Thomas Walsingham, and that the Lords smiled to see so weak a business.

June 3. 13. Inventory, by William Drake, of tenths of three prizes, called the Lady of the Beads, the Mayflower, and the Lady of the Good Voyage, brought into Bristol.

June 3. 14. The like inventory of tenths of two Spanish prizes, called the Lady of the Foot of the Cross and Nostra Seniora de Bonena, brought into Bristol.

June 4. Norwich. 15. Mayor and others of Norwich to the Council. In reply to a letter commanding the adoption of precautionary measures with reference to the spread of the plague, and that the feast usually kept when the new Mayor takes his charge should be omitted. There are in the city 34 parishes, and there have died of the plague only nine in five houses and three parishes, such deaths being more than 14 days since, and some of them more than a month. State many reasons why the feast should not be postponed, and pray that the holding the same may be left to their care as in the year 1626.

June 4. 16. Speech of Attorney General Heath in the Star Chamber, on opening the cause of the Attorney General *versus* Alexander Leighton, for framing and publishing a book entitled "An appeal to the Parliament; or, Sion's Plea against the Prelacy." [*Copy in the Attorney General's own handwriting.*]

June 4. 17. Other notes of the same speech, also by the Attorney General. They are briefer than the preceding, and are probably the first draft.

June 5. Westminster. Grant to James Quarrier and Thomas Moncreif, the King's servants, of 500*l.*, to be raised out of the green-wax monies, and out of

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compositions for forfeited recognizances, in consideration of the surrender of a grant to James Quarrier of the benefit of recognizances entered into by Robert Wingfield and others. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 6.]

June 5. Westminster. Licence to John Bruckshaw for 40 years, to take in from the sea near Bristol, a fountain or spring of water issuing from a high rock there, conceived to have the efficacy of curing many diseases, with power to take in grounds from the sea, and to make baths for such as resort to be cured; with power also to dig in the same rock for gold, silver, and crystal, reserving to the Crown a yearly rent of 20*s.* [*Ibid., No.* 7.]

June 5. Westminster. Grant to Henry Henn of the park of Folly John, belonging to the Castle and honor of Windsor, co. Berks, with the woods and deer, on payment of 3,400*l.*, and reservation of a yearly rent of 10*l.* to the Crown. [*Ibid., No.* 8.]

June 5. 18. Lord President Conway to William Boswell. To deliver to Capt. Richard Ouseley a copy of Mr. Burlamachi's last certificate concerning him.

June 5. Alscoat. 19. Richd. Brawne to Endymion Porter. Thanks for a present of wine. Hopes he will consent to that part of himself which is in those parts [his children] coming over to Alscoat.

June 5. 20. Note of the division amongst the several officers of the College of Arms of the fees paid on the death of Wm. Earl of Pembroke, and at the installation of Theophilus Earl of Suffolk as Knight of the Garter, on 1628, Sept. 25.

June 6. Whitehall. 21. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to insert into the new charter of Great Yarmouth that the Mayor and others may fetch from Norway masts, deals, and tar, to be employed within the town, paying customs.

June 6. Aboard the Convertive at the Cowes. 22. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. Since May 29 had been expecting Sir Philip Carteret. The bark of ammunition spoken of in their warrant is a *non ens*, not to be found in *rerum naturâ*, unless one small falcon and four barrels of powder be worthy of that name; all which will not amount to half the charge of convoy. The winds are southerly, and the weather extreme.

June 6. The Convertive, at Cowes. 23. The same to Nicholas. Is heartily sorry and partly ashamed that the State can find no more considerable employment for the Convertive and the Tenth Whelp than the waftage of Sir Philip Carteret. Incloses copy of a letter that he may see in what sort the writer was forced to quicken him. No greater misery can befal an active man than an employment of this nature, in which there is neither honour nor profit, nor service to be done to the country. Rather than be thus pitifully set a-work would desire to stay at home. Shame he takes to hear the cries of the subject for

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want of aid against the enemy. Small amount of the ammunition sent, a fitter charge for a patch than a King's ship to convoy. God amend this, or end his employment! Has written to Mr. Alcock about renewal of provisions, and desires his answer may lie at Plymouth, where he will call for it. Intends not to take any harbour till his present supply be spent. *Incloses,*

23. I. *Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Sir Philip Carteret. The State is much abused by his stay and himself much slighted. The West Country is plagued by Dunkirkers, and it were better that Sir Philip should suffer than the generality of the kingdom exclaim. Has expected him six days. If he comes not on the morrow, farewell. The writer is no man's servant but the King's. Convertive, June* 4. [*Copy.*]

June 6. Hinton. 24. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. The news that her Majesty was delivered of a prince was brought by a gentleman that came from London Tuesday last, so that the writer was the first that had notice of it in that country. Presently gave signs of joy to his neighbours by bells, bonfires, and public thanksgiving They followed his example in expressions of gladness. Recommends to him the application of the bearer, Mr. Abraham, a relation of Lady Poulett. He has been bred in Flanders from a child, and had his brother slain in Rhé.

June 7. Westminster. Protection from arrest for John Fowler for one year, from the expiration of a former grant. Lat. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 9.]

June 7. Westminster. Grant to John Duncumbe, the King's servant, of the bark of trees fit to be barked in the Forest of Dean, and to be cut down by virtue of grants to the late Earl of Pembroke for 21 years, rendering to his Majesty 16*l.* per annum. [*Ibid., No.* 10.]

June 7. 25. Certificate of William Adams and others to the Lords of the Admiralty, for James Branford to be cook of the Antelope.

June 7. London. 26. Sec. Coke to Sec. Dorchester. According to the order of the Lords, has set down the proceeding between David Robertson, of Scotland, and the Hamburghers. Robertson having complained that Alexander Lonck and Michael Utenhove, shipmasters of Hamburgh, had robbed him at sea, and not having immediate redress, had procured in Scotland letters of reprisal. The Council deem the grant of such letters premature, and submit certain reasons to his Majesty, why this free rough people should not be provoked, especially against the English, who have goods in their power.

June 7. Bargain and sale of certain household furniture by William Hunton of Bushton [Bishopston?], co. Wilts, gent., to Henry Jay, of Westminster, gent., in consideration of his having undertaken to pay to Edward Nicholas and Richard Dike, both of Westminster, two sums of 50*l.*, which Hunton owes them. [*See Case A, Charles I., No.* 11.]

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June 8. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Frances Mounbadiac, nurse to the Queen, 100*l.*, for the diet and entertainment of Madame Peron, midwife to the Queen. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 11.]

June 8. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Madame Peron, midwife to the Queen, 300*l.*, of the King's gift. [*Ibid., No.* 12.]

June 8. Westminster. Pardon to 18 persons condemned on the Oxford Circuit, some having been reprieved because the evidence was not pregnant against them, and others because their offences were small. [*Ibid., No.* 13.]

June [8 ?] York. 27. The Mayor of York to the Council. Thankfulness of the citizens of York, for that in their great extremity, after sundry losses by pirates, when they had no power to help themselves, his Majesty, at his own costs, was pleased to furnish a strength of his own navy, to secure their adventures at sea.

June 8. 28. Minutes by Nicholas of answers by Sec. Coke to various petitions addressed to the Lords of the Admiralty. Among the petitioners are Mr. Wills, Luke Fox, Bugby, Diver Johnson, Mary Bland, and Brooke.

June 9. Whitehall. 29. Order of Council for assistance to be given in the removal from the grounds of Mrs. Mary Thompson of certain masts, part of the lading of the St. Peter of Horn, driven ashore near Arundel, and ordered by the Court of Admiralty to be restored to Jacob Johnson, Ralt, and others of Amsterdam. [*Copy.*]

June 9. 30. Report of the Lords Chief Justices Hyde and Richardson to the Council. They find that by an Act of Parliament, made in the first year of Edward III., it was enacted that none which claim to be of the mystery of goldsmiths should keep shop, save in Cheap, to the end that men might see that their ware be good and covenable. Other act than this they find none, to enforce the goldsmiths to plant themselves in Cheapside and Lombard Street.

June 9. Court at St. James's. 31. Henry Earl of Holland to Sir Francis Knollys, Sir Charles Howard, Francis Windebank, John Fettiplace, Henry Powle, and Thos. Haward. His Majesty finding his game of deer in Bearwood Chase much impaired, and being desirous to have it speedily replenished, gave order for the remove of a good number of deer to be brought thither, out of some of his parks lately sold; but, because those deer coming into wild grounds could not be stayed, unless some place were fenced to keep them together, it was his pleasure that a hedge should be made about a quantity of ground, since which time the inclosed petition has been presented by some of the inhabitants, who complain against Richard Arrowsmith, the keeper, as also for the preservation of their right of common. Refer these complaints to be examined by them, and a certificate to be made of their proceedings. *Annexed,*

31. I. *Petition of the inhabitants and commoners of Wokingham, Hurst, Barkham, Arborfield, and Sindlesham, co. Berks,*

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to Henry Earl of Holland, Constable of Windsor Castle. Complain that Arrowsmith had formerly inclosed 60 *or* 80 *acres of land for "learing" and feeding deer, and now has inclosed* 100 *or* 120 *acres more, converting the former into tillage. Pray that he may desist.*

June 10. 32. T. [?] Browne to Sec. Dorchester. Prays him to expedite the grant of a protection to the writer.

June 10. Ipswich. 33. Henry Dade to Nicholas. Sir William Withypoll claims the masts at Aldborough, because they were wrecked upon the shore adjoining his manor. If Sir Lionel Tollemache makes suit for a commission for sale of the same, the writer prays that he may be named a commissioner.

June 11. Court at Whitehall. 34. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a charter of liberties to the Queen with a grant of knights' fees and wardships, in as ample a manner as was granted by the late King to the late Queen Anne, to Prince Henry, and to the present King when Prince of Wales; and also a grant to the Queen of all advowsons belonging to lands which have been granted to her.

June 11. 35. Petition of George Melvill to the King. Petitioner having been engaged for three years in finding and maintaining the King's title to Swingfield Mennis in Kent prays for a grant of the same for 51 years at the rent of sixpence per acre. *Underwritten,*

35. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer to give order for the petitioner's despatch. Whitehall,* 1630, *March* 30. [*Copy.*]

35. II. *Lord Treasurer Weston to the Attorney General, to certify his opinion thereon.* [*Copy.*]

35. III. *The Attorney General to the Lord Treasurer. Reports that the solicited grant would not be inconvenient.* [*Copy.*]

35. IV. *Lord Treasurer to the Attorney General. To prepare a bill accordingly.* 1630, *June* 11.

June 11. Whitehall. 36. The Council to Justices of Peace of co. Cambridge. On information concerning the present state of that town, they recommend that the markets be kept within the town on three days of the week only, and that persons who have removed into the country be not suffered to return to Cambridge unless it be to abide there. If they persist in returning they are to be shut up as infected persons. [*Copy.*]

June 11. 37. Petition of Wm. Bardwell of Aldborough, Marshal of the Admiralty of Suffolk, to the Council. By deputation from Sir Lionel Tollemache, petitioner seized a wrecked ship laden with masts and has them in his custody. Has been at great charges for workmen and has been molested and arrested by Sir William Withypoll. Prays that he may sell part of the goods towards payment of the charges, and that some course may be taken against Sir Wm.

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Withypoll. [*Nicholas has endorsed that on the* 16*th inst. the petitioner desired that proceedings might be stayed against Sir William Withypoll.*]

June 11. 38. Petition of the Wives of the Mariners who went to sea in the Transport, of London, under the command of Capt. West, to the Council. The Transport having made prize of the Mary, of Olona, bound for Port-a-Port with prohibited goods, the ship was condemned, and the mariners' shares paid to Capt. West. The French having claimed restitution these shares are now detained. Pray the Council to declare that restitution cannot be given, and that petitioners may receive their shares. *Underwritten,*

38. I. *Reference to the Judge of the Admiralty to send copies of the papers, containing his opinion, to the Clerk of the Council. Whitehall,* 1630, *June* 11.

June 11. The Downs. 39. Capt. Lewis Powell to the Lords of the Admiralty. Reports the capture of a Lubecker bound for Lisbon with prohibited goods, chiefly deals and clap-boards. Requests instructions.

June 11. The Downs. 40. The same to Nicholas. Repeats the information in the preceding letter.

June 11. 41. Attorney General Heath to the same. Having received directions from the Council to proceed against Mr. Stevens, the Saltpetreman, in the Star Chamber, requests copies of the commission and Stevens's deputation.

June 11. 42. Answer of Dr. Henry Hooke to objections made against him in matters ecclesiastical. He had preached that it was not convenient for a minister of the gospel to be a justice of the peace; and was charged with having said that it was not lawful for a Bishop to be a Privy Councillor, which he denied; and that he wished the King would take away the Bishops' lands. He admitted that he desired that on the vacancy of a bishopric of small revenues the King would take a lease of the lands and allow the Bishop 1,000*l.* per annum.

June 11. Office of Ordnance. 43. The Officers of the Ordnance to the Council. Return of the present state of their stores.

June 11. 44. Brief in support of the will of Arthur Allanson. The testator went with the expedition to Cadiz as a volunteer in the regiment of Capt. Gifford, and on his return died on ship-board at Crookhaven in Ireland.

June 11. 45. Brief against the will of Arthur Allanson. The case against this will, which was nuncupative, rested on endeavours to show that Ralph Killinghall, servant to Capt. Gifford deceased, who accompanied him in the expedition to Cadiz, and Nathaniel Hart, a soldier in Capt. Gifford's regiment, who were the witnesses to the will, were not credible persons.

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June 12. "From my Chamber." 46. Sir Thos. Phillips to Sec. Dorchester. The two last times he attended the Secretary, he deferred the business which Sir Thomas solicits for the King, until Sir Humphrey May were present. Sir Humphrey three days before he fell sick told the writer he was resolved to meddle no more therein. Now it has pleased God to take him, begs the Secretary to be a means for the present determination of the business.

June 12. St. James's. 47. Minute in the handwriting of William Boswell of what took place on the death-bed of his cousin Yale, who had been hurt in a duel by Mr. Wilmot. He declared that the cause of the quarrel between himself and Wilmot was a sudden thing, and forgave him his death.

June 13. Whitehall. Proclamation prohibiting the exportation of corn and grain, on account of the unseasonable weather, whereby the hopefulness of the ensuing harvest is much endangered. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 126.]

June 13. 48. Copy sentence in the Court of Admiralty condemning as lawful prize the Mary, otherwise Le Devise, otherwise the St. Denys, of Sables d'Olonne taken by Capt. West. [*The original sentence was delivered* 1629, *May* 10.]

June 14. Whitehall. 49. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a Bill for creating a Court of Record for the Palace of Westminster and twelve miles about the same, by the name of the King's Court of his Palace of Westminster, for all personal pleas and actions. Sir Edmund Verney, Knight Marshal, to be the first judge, and Edward Herbert, of the Inner Temple, the first steward, and John Bert, the first prothonotary.

June 14. Hatfield Broadoak. 50. Sir Thomas Barrington to Sec. Dorchester. Grounds which the writer and the inhabitants of Cottingham, in co. York, have to fear that Sir Michael Wharton and others labour to get power that the Commissioners of Sewers might cut a passage of water through that lordship. If such a thing be desired, prays that the country may have power to speak for itself.

June 14. 51. Dennis Fleming, Officer of the Navy, to Nicholas. Sends a letter which gives account of the interruption of Wm. Willoughby, purveyor, in the carriage of his Majesty's timber, by the Justices of Peace in co. Oxford. They contend that Willoughby is bound to pay prices to their content, his Majesty's price being 5*d.* per load per mile. Begs letters from the Lords of the Admiralty to the Justices there to further that service.

June 14. The Savoy. 52. Wm. Earl of Northampton to the Dep. Lieuts. of co. Pembroke. Has appointed Charles Wogan muster master of that county in place of Walter Thomas, resigned.

June 14. Lit[tlecote.] 53. John Popham to his cousin Mrs. Endymion Porter. That she would desire the Lord Keeper to make an end of a reference between Sir Thomas Hinton and the writer.

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June 14/24. Conquet. 54. Depositions of Matthew Gelvouet and others, part of the crew of Capt. Scras, of Southampton, respecting their capture of a Spanish carvel and its subsequent recapture: they being thereupon put ashore at Conquet. Fr.

June 14/24. 55. Translation of the preceding document.

June 14. 56. Undertaking of Robt. Yeo to Lord President Conway to save him harmless from an engagement entered into by him, that Yeo should abide by the Lord Keeper's arbitrament in a difference between Yeo and Thomas Wheeler.

June [15 ?] 57. Proclamation announcing to the Lords spiritual and temporal, the Provincial Councils, the Universities, Cities, and Corporations, the birth of a Prince on 29 May last. It had been usual to make such announcements by special letters sent by heralds, but the fearful dispersion of the plague in London hastening the christening, at which the officers of arms are to give attendance, the announcement was made by this proclamation. [*Copy.*]

June [15 ?] 58. The King to each one of the Nobility. Having appointed Sunday, June 27, for the christening of the Prince at St. James's, the person addressed is to give attendance at that time and place.

June [15 ?] 59. Draft of the same.

June 15. Ordnance Office. 60. Officers of the Ordnance to the Lords of the Admiralty. Have delivered to the Captains of the Forts at Milton near Gravesend, and West Tilbury, in Essex, to be presented to their Lordships, a copy of a survey of the ruins and defects in those forts, lately taken under a warrant of Lord Vere, by Lieutenant-Colonel Paperill, his Majesty's engineer, Matthew Banckes, master carpenter of the Ordnance Office, and William Forster, clerk to the surveyor of that office. *Annexed,*

60. I. *Copy of the survey above mentioned. The repairs of the Gravesend Fort would amount to* 1,248*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.; those of Tilbury Fort to* 1,188*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.*

June 15. Fakenham Magna. 61. Sir Lionel Tollemache to Nicholas. Sends his account as Vice Admiral of Suffolk, from the death of the Duke to November 1629. If the Lord Marshal and Sir William Withypoll recover the Admiralty jurisdiction of Aldborough and Orford, the writer may be spared the labour of accounting. *Inclosed,*

61. I. *The account above mentioned. Total receipt* 8*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.; allowed for fees,* 2*l.* 0*s.* 7*d.; profit to be divided between the Crown and the accountant,* 6*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.*

June 15. 62. Sir William Russell and others to the same. Recommend John Neale to succeed John Favill, deceased, as master-smith at Chatham.

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June 15. Gravesend. 63. Nathaniel Musgrove to Sir John Wolstenholme. A ship from Virginia anchored in Tilbury Hope, whereof the merchant is Samuel Vassall, has remained four days without a waiter, and would have taken out his tobacco, and put it aboard a pink for Holland, but the writer would not suffer it. Denies to receive any waiter aboard, and says he will send away the ship for Holland. Desires instant advice.

June 15? 64. Orders for the Christening of the Prince. The chapel and all rooms through which the procession was to pass were to be hanged with tapestry; an organ was to be brought into the chapel; a stage was to be erected in the middle of the chapel and the font to be set thereon; after the christening the infant to be carried to the King and Queen to receive their blessing; the bishops and clergy to attend in their copes; the mayor in his velvet, the aldermen in their scarlet gowns; artillery to be shot off at the Tower, and by the shipping, immediately after the christening, and bonfires to be made at night. [*Draft in the handwriting of Secretary Dorchester.*]

June 15. 65. Order and manner of service to be performed in the chapel at the christening of the Prince of Wales. [*A draft corrected partly by Sec. Dorchester and partly also by Bishop Laud.*]

June 15. 66. Names of ships to be supplied with ammunition.

June 16. The King to John Lord Darcy, Thomas Lord Falconbridge, Thomas Lord Cameron, and others. Commission out of the Exchequer to return into that Court the names of persons who subscribed in the West Riding of co. York for the defence of the Palatinate, with the amounts which they contributed. *Annexed,*

I. *Depositions of Walter Stanhope and others, collectors of parts of the subscription above mentioned. Taken before the Commissioners,* 1630, *Aug.* 13.

II. *Collectors' accounts for Sedberge and various other places, specifying the names of contributors and the sums contributed.* [*See Case A., Charles I., No.* 12.]

June 16. 67. The same to the Sheriff of co. York. Writ out of the Exchequer to return the names of such persons within his bailiwick as, having 40*l.* per annum in lands or rents, had not taken upon them the order of knighthood. *Annexed,*

67. I. *Return of Sir Arthur Ingram the younger. It contains* 14 *names from the West Riding,* 4 *from the North Riding, and* 9 *from the East Riding.*

June 16. 68. Petition of Thomas Banister, for himself, Mark Quested, and Edward Bellamie, to the Council. Having been taken by ships of Dunkirk, and carried into that town, whilst there he bought an English vessel which had been captured by the Dunkirkers, and laid out therein about 100*l.* Having been brought into Yarmouth, one Nathaniel Cox had seized upon and taken away the same without any legal authority. Prays restitution and recompence. *Underwritten,*

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68. I. *Reference to Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty. Whitehall,* 1630, *June* 16. *Annexed,*

68. II. *Sir Henry Marten to the Lords of the Admiralty. Recommends them to send for Nathaniel Cox, and if the report of the petitioner prove true to commit him until he restore the ship. Doctors' Commons,* 1630, *June* 19.

June 16. Portsmouth. 69. Wm. Towerson to Nicholas. To enable him to give answer to a report spread about the Court that Capt. Quaile had taken a great prize, he sends the inclosed examination. *Inclosed,*

69. I. *Examination of John Pusot, master of the Blessing, of Olona. Gives account of his various voyages from* 25 *July* 1629, *until the* 12*th instant, when he was brought into Portsmouth by Capt. Quaile. Towerson adds, that seeing there was no cause for keeping the French ship longer in question, he had discharged her.* 1630, *June* 14.

June 16. 70. Samuel Vassall to Sir John Wolstenholme. Apprises him of the arrival of the ship from Virginia mentioned in the letter of Nathaniel Musgrove (15 *June* 1630, *No.* 63). She was laden "with that drug called tobacco." The quantity to which Vassall was entitled he determined to send to Holland, "to avoid "further contention of that pretended duty" which Sir John Wolstenholme demands by way of custom. Having been hindered therein, and the ship stayed for custom, which the writer conceives is not due, he must seek damage for the stay of his ship and goods. If the ship had come up to London he would have paid no more than should have been found due by law, but he would rather lose all his tobacco than pay what Sir John pretends.

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June 17. Westminster. 1. The King to Anne Stewart, Lady Saltoun. Grant of rents in arrear in the Exchequer and Duchy of Lancaster to be recovered by Lady Saltoun, and whereof one moiety is to be paid to her. [*Copy.*]

June 17. 2. Petition of the inhabitants of High Holborn and parishes adjoining to the King. There is a dangerous and noisome passage between High Holborn and St. Giles's Fields, by reason of a dead mud wall and certain old "housing" which lately stood close to the same, where divers people have been murdered and robbed. Pray for leave for building to be erected thereon. [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

2. I. *Reference to the Earls of Dorset and Carlisle and Viscount Dorchester to certify their opinions touching the fitness of the petitioners' suit. St. James's,* 1630, *June* 17.

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June 17. Lewes. 3. Wm. Peake to Philip Burlamachi. The two barks, the Edmund and the Mackerel, of Newhaven, went to sea that morning. They go to Shoreham and there stay until the convoys come. Capt. Fogg is gone on some other employment; Capt. Jewell is in the Downs expecting a supply of victuals. Sends this letter by a foot post to let him know these things.

June 17. Westminster. 4. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. His great affliction on [loss of his situation as Deputy Clerk of the Privy Seal]. Had had a gracious answer from his Majesty to the Bishop of London and Sec. Dorchester, who were his mediators. Report that the French have been repulsed at Osta [Aosta], with the loss of 3,000 men. Lord Dorchester married on Tuesday to Lady Bayning and the Lord Chamberlain that day fortnight to Lady Dorset. Young Diell [Yale ?] was killed last week at St. James's by one of Lord Wilmot's sons. Mr. Hopton would make certain purchases for Windebank but for the difficulty and cost of carriage from Spain.

June 17. 5. List of causes appointed to be heard in the Star Chamber. The first is one of the Attorney General against Bonham Norton, John Norton, Sir Francis Ashley, and eleven others, for spreading false and scandalous rumours that the Lord Keeper had received a bribe of 600*l.* for making a decree betwixt Barker and Norton for the office of King's printer.

June 17. 6. Statement of the facts and proofs in the above cause. The alleged bribe was a sum of 600*l.* stated to have been given to Mr. Thompson, the Lord Keeper's Secretary, but Barker, the supposed giver, denied the gift, and the supposed receiver denied the receipt. No evidence was obtained of "so much as a New Year's gift at Christ-"mas, except only a continual usage of a vessel of wine paid by the "King's printer."

June 17. 7. Notes by Sec. Dorchester of the proceedings this day in the Star Chamber in Norton's case.

June 18. 8. Petition of the Vice-Chancellor and University of Cambridge to the King. The late King granted to the University of Cambridge the advowson of the rectory of Terrington, co. Norfolk, for the more liberal maintenance of the Lady Margaret's Professor of Divinity in that University. Pray that the same rectory may be annexed to the Professorship of Divinity, so that, according to King James's intention, the profits may always go to the lecturer.

June 18. St. James's. 9. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a bill in accordance with the prayer of the preceding petition.

June 18. London. 10. John Moseley to Sec. Dorchester. Attended the Council that afternoon, first at the Secretary's lodging and afterwards at the Lord Treasurer's house. Apprehending that he might have been called for, he had expressed his mind in writing, and now incloses the same, hoping that if called for in his absence the Sec. will tender it to the Council in the writer's name. *Incloses,*

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10. I. *John Moseley to the Council. Taking to heart the differences between the King and his people, which are an evident symptom of the utter ruin of the kingdom, and being a preacher of the Gospel of Peace, he had urged the Lord Treasurer to incline the royal heart to think towards his people thoughts of peace, as hoping that the present disunion proceeds from his misapprehension of their good intentions. Wishes to have any opportunity of freeing himself from imputations cast upon him, after which he will explain the things he purposed to have prosecuted with a view to his object of attaining peace.*

June 18. 11. Henry Smith to his cousin Nicholas. The Lord Treasurer ordered the writer to go with Mr. Gibbons to Mr. Dickenson, to set down a composition for the writer's uncle, Smith's appearance for knighthood, at 50*l.* Gibbons not being at leisure, he begs Nicholas to pay the amount.

[June 18?] 12. Petition of Hannah Senior, widow, to the Council. Petitioner about a year since was entertained into the service of the Earl of Thomond to teach his daughters to use their needle, and was promised 20*l.* a year for her salary. She has been discharged of her service without any satisfaction. Prays that they would require the Earl to give her satisfaction or grant her leave to take her legal course for recovery.

June 18. 13. Henry Earl of Thomond to Thos. Meautys. Hannah Senior was entertained by Lady Thomond to instruct her daughters. Ten pounds was sent her at her departure, and during her service a gown given her of as much value as she demands.

June 19. Congregation House. 14. University of Oxford to the King. Thanks for foundation of a professorship of Hebrew in that University.

June 19. Cambridge. 15. Vice-Chancellor and others of the University, with the Mayor and others of the town of Cambridge, to the Council. Comment on the regulations of the 11th inst. (*Vol.* clxviii., *No.* 36). Inconveniences which will result from forbidding the return to Cambridge of persons who have temporarily removed into the country; also, of interfering with the daily markets, which are attended by hardly twenty persons, with a little butter, cheese, and eggs. Desire to know who has complained of them.

[June 19.] 16. Petition of Thos. Busher to the Lords of the Admiralty. Petitioner being post of Margate, and having much money due to him for doing his Majesty's service, Zaccheus Ivett, his brother-in-law, went to the office and received 36*l.* on his account by a false letter of attorney. On complaining to Ivatt, he caused petitioner to be imprisoned in Rochester gaol, and thereupon petitioner, not knowing Ivett's dependence on his Majesty, arrested him for the 36*l.* Petitioner and his officers having been sent for by a messenger,

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he prays that he may be discharged, withdrawing his action against Ivett.

June 19. 17. M. [?] Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. Sir Richard Minshull, Deputy Steward to the Earl of Anglesea for the Honour of Hampton Court, on petition of the tenants that he was a recusant, and dealt very hardly with them, was dismissed. Prays his recommendation to the Marquis of Hamilton for the appointment.

June 19. 18. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. Sir Humphrey May died last night. The common speech has been that he was mad; none of his friends for a great while were suffered to speak with him. The King went yesterday to Theobalds, and will be back again to night. The Bishop of London will be here to morrow. Begs counsel what the Bishop may solicit on the writer's behalf from the King. Nineteen died of the plague this week.

June 19. 19. John Heigham and nine others, being, with John Perratt, the garrison at Portsmouth, to John Perratt. Give him power to prosecute their petition to the King.

June 19. 20. Notes by Sec. Dorchester of the proceedings this day, principally speeches of Counsel, in the cause in the Star Chamber against Bonham Norton and others. [*See* 1630, *June* 17, *Nos.* 5, 6, 7.]

June 19? 21. Similar notes, perhaps in continuation of the preceding, but written on sheets of paper numbered separately.

June 21. 22. Robert Earl of Warwick to Sec. Dorchester. Sends a letter from the Earl of Holland. Had kept it from Friday in hope of seeing the Sec. there [at Leighs] on his return. Supposes he has taken the way by his nephew Carleton's.

June 21. 23. William Sparke, John Aris, Henry Wilkinson, and ten other clergymen at and near Winslow, co. Buckingham, to Bishop Laud. Thanks that on their late motion (*see* 1630, *May* 26, *Vol.* clxvii., *No.* 34), he had procured the King to dispense with his Instructions in the case of the lecture at Winslow, on condition that all who were colleagues in that work would subscribe a letter that they had continued that lecture in conformity with the Church of England, and would so continue it, which they accordingly declare.

June 21. Foxcott. 24. Wm. Cannyng to Endymion Porter. His brother Richard has taken Porter's house at Aston, and wishes to have his lands there, which John Evans holds. All his little ones are in good health, but Phyll. is the best company, being so peart and merry a fellow.

June 21. 25. Certificate of Wm. Jewett, of Sandwich, that a hogshead of beef, rejected by the officers of the Mary Rose, was good meat; "he "never eat better pickled beef."

June 21. 26. Copy Record of Conviction at the Old Bailey of Edward Marlyn for feloniously personating Thomas Simpson, and in his

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name becoming bail for William Fairweather, at the suit of Stephen Keverenton.

June 22. 27. Petition of Francis Williamson and John Bedingfield to the King. By acts of Common Council in the reigns of Queen Elizabeth and the late King, and by several proclamations of the latter, an office of registry was ordained for discovery of abuses by retailing brokers, which office is now vested in the petitioners. The brokers knowing that the late King's proclamations were determined by his death, refuse to conform themselves to the same. Pray for a renewal of the same. *Underwritten,*

27. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare proclamation accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *June* 22.

June 22. 28. Petition of Hugh Newell, servant to Thos. Hilliard, one of the Deputies for making Saltpetre, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has been a poor servant in the work for thirty years. Has been many weeks in attendance in town on the complaint of Thomas Bond and his tenants. Has done nothing but what is warranted by his commission, but being detained has not wherewith to buy himself and his family bread. Prays that he may be dismissed.

June 22. 29. Petition of Wm. Holt, James Coles, and Thos. Gilben, poor fishermen of Stroud, near Rochester, to the same. After long time and expense they have recovered a piece of ordnance weighing 2,380 lbs. out of the river of "Meadow Water" [Medway.] The oldest men report that it was in the Revenge, and had lain in the river above 42 years. Pray for a reward.

June 22. 30. Certificate of William Cooke, Thomas Austen, and others, to the same, that the petitioners in the preceding petition were the persons who had got up the piece of ordnance above mentioned.

June 22. 31. Attorney General Heath to Henry Earl of Holland. Has perused Mr. Hurst's petition, prepared for his Majesty's view. His suit is reasonable. He must be tried by a jury of Surrey, where the fact was committed. The indictment is but manslaughter.

June 22. Southampton. 32. John Ellzey to Nicholas. Reports the arrival at Cowes of Capt. Wm. Scras with a Dutch ship taken on the coast of Spain, and a Spanish frigate. He brought also a carvel as high as Ushant. She is in the West Country or has met with the Dunkirkers. His man-of-war he has left on the coast of Spain, under Capt. Burste.

June 23. 33. Petition of the poor Soldiers of the Garrison of Portsmouth to the Council. On false information respecting certain articles signed by the Earl of Pembroke in 1613, the King, on the 20th May last, gave absolute commandment that those articles be put in present execution, whereby every soldier is deprived of the use of his particular trade, so that they are necessarily to perish, having received no penny of their pay these three years. Pray the

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Council to be suitors to his Majesty for a suspension of this heavy doom, until the petitioners may be heard by their counsel. *Underwritten,*

33. I. *Reference to the Council of War to hear persons on both sides and certify the true state of the case. The Star Chamber*, 1630, *June* 23.

June 23. Dover. 34. Capt. Lewis Powell to Nicholas. In continual expectation of victuals. On Saturday last transported Lord Fielding to Calais. In turning out of the road wrung the head of his mainmast, which forced him into Dover, where, on the same accident, Capt. Fogg was put in before. The Whelps are so undermasted that in one kind or another they are daily troubled.

June 24. 35. Bond of Thomas Edmondes, of Padworth, co. Berks, Peter Trovell, of White Friars, and Peter Wilkinson, of St. Andrew's, Holborn, in 200*l.*, for the appearance of Thomas Edmondes before the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, on 20 days notice. [*Copy.*]

June 25. Westminster. 36. The King to all Archbishops, Justices of the Peace, and all other officers. Brief for the collection of the charitable devotions of all the King's loving subjects in the dioceses of Canterbury, London, Winchester, and Lincoln, for the relief of the poor of Cambridge suffering under a grievous visitation of the plague. [*Printed.*]

June 25. Westminster. 37. The same to the Keeper of the Clink. Since the King's warrant of 11 April last, there had been brought into the keeper's custody the after-mentioned priests or recusants, who, according to the King's pleasure, signified on 24 March last, at the instance of the Queen, are to be transported beyond seas, by such person as the Marquis de Chasteauneuf, late Ambassador Extraordinary from France, had appointed. The keeper is to deliver the persons undernamed accordingly. The names are, Thomas Holmes, Robert Widdrington, Thomas Redman, Thomas Berry, Thomas Shepherd, and Gilbert Shelton.

June 25. Whitehall. 38. Order of Council that a complaint of the inhabitants of Misterton, co. Nottingham, against Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, for drowning their meadows, should be referred to the Earls of Clare and Newcastle and Sir Gervase Clifton.

June 25. Whitehall. 39. The Council to George Clarke, Keeper of the Castle of Worcester. Giles Clutterbuck having compounded for that castle and paid 200*l.* for the same, Clarke is required to deliver up possession, but if he, or the sheriff of the county, can make any colour of title to the same, the Council will not hinder a trial at the common law after possession has been delivered.

June 25. Whitehall. 40. Order of Council made on reading the letter of the Vice-Chancellor and others of Cambridge, dated the 19th inst. (*Vol.* clxix., *No.* 15.) The previous order of the 11th inst. is altered on the several principal points complained of. The market may be held

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daily, and the Vice-Chancellor and others, and any persons whom they may license, may repair into the country and return back again from time to time. [*Copy.*]

June 25. 41. Attorney General Heath to the Council. Reports the past proceedings on the petition of Christopher Bainbridge and others with the Armourers of London, in reference to a grant by James I. to Lawrence Lisle, for the sole dressing of the common arms of the kingdom. The grant to Lisle was condemned in Parliament, because it appropriated the mending of arms to a few, which was fit to be communicated to all men bred up in that trade. It is just and legal for the King to see that these arms are provided and repaired, and he may employ whom he pleases to make his survey, and may forbid tinkers and smiths, and other botchers of arms, to meddle with them. If by these means the armourers may win employment the country shall not want them in time of need. *Annexed,*

41. I. *Proposition of the Company of Armourers of London, for accommodation of the subject above treated. Underwritten is a memorandum of the Attorney General that he cannot judge of this proposition, but submits it to the Council.*

June 25. 42. Copy of the preceding letter, without the propositions annexed.

June 25. Sergeants' Inn. 43. Sir Wm. Jones, Justice of the King's Bench, to Sec. Dorchester. Is importuned by one Hawkins to signify that one Nowell is attainted for murdering his brother. He was reprieved when Lord President Conway was Secretary. Desires to know if it be the King's pleasure to continue the reprieve.

June 25. Nicholas to William Willett. The Lords of the Admiralty meet so seldom that it is almost impossible to get certain despatch of any business. Sends a copy of a letter from the Earl of Rutland and those who take care of the late Duke's estate to Mr. Drake, to permit Willett to buy the sugars that came by the Margaret of Weymouth, but it must not be known to any man that he has seen that letter. Requests payment to Mr. Alcock of 70*l.* received two years ago for tenths of 700*l.* taken in money by a ship of Bristol. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 84.]

June 25. The same to Sir Robt. Pye. A private gentleman who discovers an enemy's ship, and gives advertisement to an officer, whereby it is seized, may deserve a reasonable reward, but if such a person of himself stays any such ship, in any of his Majesty's harbours, he can claim nothing for his pains, for if such seizures brought advantage to the seizer no vessel would escape, to the discouragement of merchants and prejudice of trade. [*Copy. Ibid. p.* 85.]

June 25. 44. Minutes by Nicholas of answers directed by Sec. Coke to be given to various petitions addressed to the Council of War. They comprise the petitions of the Three Fishermen of Stroud [Wm. Holt,

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James Coles, and Thomas Gilben, 1630, *June* 22, *Vol.* clxix., *No.* 29] to whom the Master of the Ordnance was directed to pay a reward; Richard Ballman; Paul Mercer; Richard Harrison; Mr. Clerk, who was to be satisfied by Mr. Alcock and the rest of the Executors of Sir Allen Apsley.

June 26. Wallingford House. 45. Lord Treasurer Weston to the King. Reports that the desired adding to or altering of the Charter of the City of Salisbury would not be any prejudice to his Majesty. *Underwritten,*

45. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare new charter accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *June* 29.

[June 26 ?] 46. Petition of Nicholas Stevens, Deputy Saltpetreman, to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Lords having directed the Attorney General to proceed against him in the Star Chamber, especially on the charge of digging in the church of Chipping Norton, he begs them to consider the declaration annexed, and to withdraw the order for proceeding in the Star Chamber. *Annexed,*

46. I. *Declaration above alluded to. At a time of great want of saltpetre he removed only some waste and unnecessary part of the soil of the church of Chipping Norton, as, with the concurrence of the parishioners and ministers, he had done in the churches of Coventry, Warwick, and Oxford. Other digging was done in his absence by his servant, whom he cast into Oxford gaol, and made satisfaction to the parishioners.*

June 26. 47. Petition of Richard Bagnall to the same. Stevens, the Saltpetreman above mentioned, has expended 1,600*l.* in increasing the mine of Saltpetre. Petitioner having married Stevens's daughter, prays that he may succeed him in his place.

June 26. 48. Lord Treasurer Weston to the Attorney General, to prepare grant of the farm of the Alums to Sir John Gibson for 31 years, after the expiration of a grant to Sir Paul Pindar and Wm. Turner, and to reserve a yearly rent of 12,500*l.*, which is an improvement of 1,500*l.*

June 26. London. 49. Hugh Perry to Endymion Porter. Returns money paid, finding that his servants had formerly given him an account with the charges of the picture from Antonio Vandyke for his Majesty. Begs a warrant for a brace of bucks out of Enfield chase in regard of the long forbearance.

June 27. 50. Order of proceeding to the christening of the Prince, with a copy of the orders for the christening (1630, *June* 15, *Vol.* clxviii., *No.* 57.) "The Lord Mayor presented his Majesty from the city of "London with a cup of gold of a yard in length, or thereabouts, "valued by the goldsmiths' own report at 1,200*l.* price. The King "gratified the Lord Mayor with a cup of about 50*l.* price."

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June 27. 51. Capt. Henry Skipwith to Sec. Dorchester. Sends him his pedigree drawn up in form of a pyramid. Just as he made up the copy heard of his marriage and wishes to know his pleasure as to incorporating his wife's descent. Also heard a rumour of the King's pleasure to add increase of title, which made him respite the conclusion. Wishes his directions before it be put into vellum and metals. Long sickness and poverty arising from withdrawal of his pension, render him unable to complete the work with more adornment.

June 27. Hatfield Broad Oak. 52. Judith Lady Barrington to the same. Congratulations on his marriage.

June 27. Dover Castle. 53. Sir Edward Dering to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk. What use and ornament bells would be in the fair church within the Castle. They might be supplied by the pieces of two brass sakers and two broken bells in the steeple. Has celebrated the christening of the Prince with some triumphs, had the bells been serviceable they should not have been silent. Wishes the outguard exempted from showing arms in the shire. Necessity for repair increases about the King's lodgings and the church.

June 28. 54. Petition of Daniel Moore to the King. His son Thomas Moore, aged 19, in a scuffle with two carmen hurt one of them in the thigh. He is since dead, and the verdict of the Coroner's Inquest is manslaughter. Prays for a pardon for his son "who is "the stay of his life and comfort of his age." *Annexed,*

54. I. *Copy Inquisition held within the liberties of the Tower of London, before Ralph Hastings, coroner, on the body of Giles Owen. Verdict, that Thomas Moore of Aldgate, gentleman, inflicted on him a mortal wound on Tower Hill, with a knife, on the outer side of his right hip.* 1630, *June* 26. *Underwritten,*

54. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon.* 1630, *June* 28.

June 28. 55. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Send survey of cordage in the warehouses of Alderman Freeman, made by some of the best experienced masters and others of the Navy, with explanation of the circumstances under which the survey was completed in so short a space of time. *Inclose,*

55. I. *Certificate of the persons above mentioned that the cordage in Alderman Freeman's storehouses was such as they dare not approve of for his Majesty's service.* 1630, *June* 24.

55. II. *Statement by the same persons of the circumstances under which they made their survey, and were able to conclude it so soon.*

June 28. Apthorpe. 56. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. In all humbleness receives what is his Majesty's pleasure. Thought he

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had promised to recommend her son to be Justice in Oyer when the King should make any. It is a thing of no great moment except in respect of former miscarriages. Congratulations on his marriage. Will not fail to present their faithful services to his noble lady the next term.

June 28. 57. Sir Thos. Walsingham, Vice-Admiral of Kent, to Wm. Miles, water-bailiff. Warrant to arrest persons and ketches engaged in destruction of fish or oysters, by using unlawful and unsiseable nets, or fishing or dredging in grounds according to ancient custom set, at times prohibited.

June 28. 58. Abstract of the accounts of the Victualler of the Navy for part of the year 1630. Total receipts, 8,055*l.* 12*s.*; payments, 7,796*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*; bills of exchange outstanding 854*l.*; on payment of which there will be due to the victualler 594*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.*

June 29. Discharge to Anthony Batt, late Deputy Collector to Bishop Carey, late Bishop of Exeter, of the second payment of the second subsidy granted 21 James I., of money remaining in his hands by reason of the collectorship, amounting to 400*l.* [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Warrant to pay to Sir Robert Anstruther on his going Ambassador to the Emperor and Princes of Germany at the Diet at Ratisbon, 1,000*l.* [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Presentation of Robert Dasy to the vicarage of Buckland Bruer, co. Devon. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Warrant to the Court of Wards and Liveries to pay into the Exchequer 6,000*l.*, in accomplishment of an assignment made by the Lord Treasurer for payment of the ordinary charge of the Navy for this year. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Discharge to Thos. Jones and Edw. Games of 35*l.* in full satisfaction of 200*l.* imposed upon Hugh Jones, deceased, in the Court of Star Chamber. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. 59. Lord Treasurer Weston to the Attorney General. Sends him copies of Lady Vanlore's petition, with other papers relating thereto, and prays him to pursue the direction therein given. *Prewritten,*

59. I. *Petition of Dame Jacoba Vanlore, widow of Sir Peter Vanlore, and their children and grand-children, to the King. Queen Elizabeth granted to Lord Hunsdon the lordship and castle of Tunbridge, and he and his heirs had the issues and amerciaments of the tenants. Petitioner's late husband purchased the manor for valuable consideration, but since his purchase the liberties have been questioned and the grants conceived to be defective. Prays that the liberties enjoyed since the first year of Elizabeth may be granted in particular words.* [*Copy.*]

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59. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to call the parties before him and report. Windsor*, 1629, *Sept.* 4. [*Copy.*]

59. III. *Report of the Attorney General that all the liberties referred to had always been enjoyed by the Lords of the Manor of Tunbridge.* 1629, *Dec.* 13. [*Copy.*]

59. IV. *Petition of Dame Jacoba Vanlore, and the children and grand-children of Sir Peter Vanlore, to the King. Prays that the Attorney General may be directed to prepare a grant as before petitioned.* [*Copy.*]

59. V. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer to give order for passing the grant desired. Whitehall*, 1629, *Dec.* 29. [*Copy.*]

June 29. Chester.

60. Mayor and others of Chester to the Council. Reply to a claim of Sir Randall Crewe, for some unusual tolls to be paid at the East-gate of the City, lately purchased by him. They are willing to pay what has been paid to Sir Randall's predecessors time beyond man's memory. If he claims more, they desire that they may be permitted in a legal course to defend what are the city's and the subjects' rights.

June 29. Hurst.

61. Margaret Lady Savile to Sec. Dorchester. Congratulates him on his marriage. Prays that God may send him a son, and then he will have all the happiness his heart can desire. Hopes he will not utterly forget the writer's daughter, who once made him a joyful father. He could not give a greater testimony of his remembrance of her, than to bestow some honour upon her brother Harrison. The writer's daughter, Sedley, will account it the greatest good that could be done to her. Their neighbour, Mr. Williskot, is now made a baronet.

June 29. Plymouth.

62. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has put into Plymouth to revictual. Since his coming from the Land's End, the Biscayners begin to do mischief again. The way to deal with them is by sending thither the ketch and sloop which attend Sir Henry Mervyn. Has sent a true relation of occurrences come to his knowledge in a journal, by which they shall understand how he has bestowed his time. *Inclosed,*

62. I. *True Journal of the Convertive, from the* 14*th of April till the* 30*th of June. Catwater*, 1630, *June* 29.

June 29. Catwater.

63. The same to Nicholas. Incloses the preceding for his information. Wishes for a long letter from him. If he can procure him the ketch and sloop, he shall do the country an infinite pleasure, for the great ships and Whelps only frighten the enemy away for a time.

June 29. Aboard the Tenth Whelp, in Catwater, Plymouth.

64. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to the same. Has been with Capt. Plumleigh to Guernsey and Jersey, and ranged the coast to the Land's End. Met with no men-of-war; but since their return two small Biscayners have taken three or four small barks. Intends to go in pursuit of them as soon as he shall receive a supply of beer.

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June 29. Ipswich. 65. Henry Dade to Nicholas. The Solicitor of the Admiralty has procured an order for taking the masts to the King's use, without satisfaction to any one. Prays his help against this order. The writer will see him recompensed for his pains.

June 30. Warrant to pay to Sir Abraham Williams, or to Philip Burlamachi, 15,000*l.* for moneys behind for the household expenses of the King and Queen of Bohemia, after the rate of 1,500*l.* *per mensem*, and further to pay to Sir John Ashburnham, to the use of the said King and Queen, 1,500*l.* monthly, for one year, to commence 1 Oct. 1630. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Demise to Wm. Dawe, at the nomination of George Melvill, for 31 years, of a parcel of land called Swingfield Mennis, co. Kent, under the yearly rent of 14*l.* 5*s.* [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Warrant to deliver yearly to Adam Hill, groom of the Privy Chamber, such stuff for his livery as Charles Josey lately had. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Warrant to pay to Giles Tompkins, one of the King's musicians in ordinary, in place of Richard Deering, deceased, 40*l.* per annum during life. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Warrant to deliver to the same his livery, in such manner as Deering had the same. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Pardon for Thos. Prynne, yeoman, for manslaughter of Thos. Adams. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Grant for founding Sion College within the City of London, and constituting John Gifford, D.D., first president, Thos. Warrall, D.D., and John Simpson, B.D., the first deans, and Francis Dee, D.D., Cornelius Burgess, D.D., Edw. Abbot, B.D., and Thos. Woode, B.D., the first assistants, with power to hold 160*l.* per annum according to the will of Thos. White, D.D., and to purchase lands in mortmain to the value of 60*l.* more. The hospital to be for ten men and ten women, and the Bishop of London to be visitor. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Demise to Sir John Gill and Thos. Bruer of lands in Shebbeare, co. Devon, for 100 years, rendering to his Majesty 5*l.* per annum, at the nomination of Wm. Gifford. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Warrant to Thomas Viscount Wentworth, Lord President of the North parts, to take care as well for preserving the woods as the deer in the forest of Galtres, co. York, for better storing a park of 1,000 acres which his Majesty intends to have made in some convenient place. [*Docquet, cancelled, and the following entry written in the margin, "Passed the Seal with Mr. Secretary Coke."*]

June 30. Confirmation to the Lord Treasurer, William Lord Petre, and Sir Wm. Foord, of his Majesty's interest by reason of the recusancy of Sir John Carrill, in divers lands and tenements in Sussex and

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and Suffolk, demised to them and others by Sir John Carrill before his conviction, and also a release to Sir Garret Kemper and Daniel Norton, of his Majesty's similar interest in the manors of Houghton, in Sussex, and Ixworth, in Suffolk, which they theretofore purchased of Sir John Carrill and John Carrill his son, reserving the ancient rents and such benefit as his Majesty may claim in the rent of 200*l.* payable to Sir John Carrill during his life. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Protection to Richard Amherst, Sergeant-at-Law, for one year, to enable him to give satisfaction for the debts of the late Earl of Dorset. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Presentation of Dr. Topham, Dean of Lincoln, to the rectory of Northwingfield, *alias* Northwinfield, co. Derby, in his Majesty's gift by simony. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. St. James's. Proclamation for suppressing felons and outlaws by bringing them to be answerable to the laws of England and Scotland. This proclamation chiefly applies to the "out-bounds" or frontiers of the two kingdoms. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 127.]

June 30. 66. Petition of Valentine Payne to the Council. In 1627, Capt. Daynes, by letters of reprisal, brought into the river of Strangford, in Ireland, two prize ships laden with French wines. One Cramer, a Dutchman, claimed the same ships, but after suit Capt. Daynes procured a decree of the Admiralty, and the ship was delivered to him and his company by petitioner as Sheriff of the County. Since which, petitioner has been and still is harassed by continual applications of Cramer against him to the Lord Chancellor of Ireland. Prays that the Lord Chancellor may be directed not to admit further suits against petitioner. *Underwritten,*

66. I. *Reference to Sir Henry Marten to certify the true state of the business. Whitehall,* 1630, *June* 30. *Annexed,*

66. II. *Report of Sir Henry Marten, setting forth that the suit instituted against Payne in the Court of Admiralty had been abandoned. Doctors' Commons,* 1630, *July* 6.

June 30. Plymouth. 67. Capt. Richd. Plumleigh to Lord Treasurer Weston. Egypt was never more infested with caterpillars than the Land's End with Biscayners. On 23rd inst., there came out of St. Sebastian's 20 sail of sloops. Some attempted to land on Lundy, but were repulsed by the inhabitants. So long as he plied to and again he kept all clear, but since he put in for provisions they are as busy as ever. They run amongst the rocks where the large ships cannot follow them, and if they are pressed betake themselves to their oars. There are no means to suppress them but by sending thither the ketch and sloop which are with Sir Henry Mervyn. His want of victuals makes the Biscayners play the Devil, having the coast free.

June. 68. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a grant to Montjoy Earl of Newport and Sir John Smith of the

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custody of Hyde Park, co. Middlesex, to take effect after the death of Henry Earl of Holland, or surrender of his grant. [*Date and place of signature not inserted.*]

June ? 69. Petition of William Ryley, junior, Clerk of the Records in the Tower, to the King. Has been educated by his father in the Records and Heraldry for twelve years past. Prays for a grant of the office of Bluemantle, Pursuivant-at-arms.

[June ?] 70. Petition of Edward Taylor to the Council. Recites various letters sent to the county of Salop for a provision as a maimed soldier to be made for petitioner. All these having been ineffectual, he prays for his Majesty's letters mandatory that he may be allowed a pension.

June. Wittenham. 71. Wm. Earl of Banbury to Sec. Dorchester. Recommends his servant John Offely who has a suit to his Majesty.

June. 72. Bishop Laud to [a Master at Winchester College]. He knows how much the Bishop is bound to his old friend Mr. Windebank. If the Bishop lives to do the person addressed any good, he owes it, under God, to Windebank's great love and care in the time of the Bishop's great extremity. Begs him to choose one of Windebank's many sons [John Windebank], into Winchester College at this next election. [*Copy.*]

June. 73. Statement by Nicholas, of the inconvenience of a Privy Seal passed to Mr. Wells for payment of 11 years' fees due to him as storekeeper of Deptford, out of the overplus of the medium of the ships employed at sea.

[June ?] 74. Reasons why the ancient school of the Dean and Chapter of Exeter should continue the sole grammar school for that city. A second school had been erected, or was supported by the Corporation.

[June ?] 75. Statement of a case in the Admiralty Court, respecting goods taken by three men-of-war of Bristol, and claimed to be prize, as belonging to subjects of Spain. It was contended by the captors that John Questell, an Englishman, and part owner, had been naturalized in Portugal. The writer of this statement requests Lord President Conway to desire Sir Henry Marten to take security of Questell's friends that the alleged naturalization was not the fact.

[June ?] 76. Brief in a cause of Robert Hole against George Hodges, being a suit relating to tithes in the parish of Wedmore, co. Somerset.

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July 1. 1. Petition of the Mayor and Commonalty of Bristol to the King. Petitioners disbursed long since 759*l.* for billeting and transportation of Sir Pierce Crosby's regiment into Ireland. The King lately granted a lease of the Castle of Bristol to a tenant for three lives at a rent of 100*l.* per annum. The Castle is a privileged place frequented by lewd, idle persons. Pray in consideration of the 759*l.* to grant the petitioners the Castle in fee-farm at the rent of 40*l.* per annum. [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

1. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer to do as he shall find convenient. St. James's,* 1630, *July* 1. [*Copy.*]

1. II. *Lord Treasurer Weston to Sir Thomas Fanshaw. To certify his opinion.* [*Copy.*]

1. III. *Sir Thomas Fanshaw to the Lord Treasurer. In the first year of his Majesty's reign he repaired to the Castle of Bristol, and found the ruins exceeding great, and the circuit thereof inhabited by mean inhabitants in little cottages piled one on the head of another, used by many of them as a kind of sanctuary from arrests. The King had no rent, but since it has been leased for three lives at* 100*l. per annum, but that rent is not likely to be maintained, wherefore he does not conceive the grant prayed for by the Corporation will be much prejudicial to the revenue.* 1630, *July* 14. [*Copy.*]

1. IV. *Lord Treasurer to Attorney General Heath. To prepare the grant solicited by the Corporation in consideration of the* 759*l. disbursed,* 200*l. to be paid into the Exchequer, and* 40*l. per annum rent.* 1630, *July* 17.

July 1. 2. Petition of Sir Richd. Graham to the same. King Edward I. granted to Joan Wake and Thos. her son, and his heirs, a market and fair in the manor of Arturet, co. Cumberland. The market and fair have fallen into disuse. Petitioner having purchased the manor from the Earl of Cumberland and Henry Lord Clifford his son, is desirous to revive the same. Prays a confirmation of the grant to Joan and Thomas Wake. *Annexed,*

2. I. *Attested copy of the grant to Joan and Thomas Wake above mentioned. Rot. Cart.,* 35 *Edward I., No.* 51. *Underwritten,*

2. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly, if the same be not prejudicial to any fair or market near adjoining. St. James's,* 1630, *July* 1.

July 1. 3. Petition of Humphrey Fulwood to the same. William Newell was ordered in the Star Chamber to pay 80*l.* costs to Sir Ralph Assheton and others *pro falso clamore.* Sir Ralph and the others

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being outlawed, the 80*l.* is confiscate to the King. Prays for a grant thereof. *Underwritten,*

3. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a grant of his Majesty's interest in the same* 80*l.* *St. James's,* 1630, *July* 1.

July 1. Assizes at Oxford. 4. Dep. Lieuts. and Justices of Peace of co. Oxford to the Council. In answer to the complaint made against them by the purveyor of timber cut down in that county, for not assisting him in procuring carts. If the purveyor had pursued his commission, by charging carts in kind, the service had received no impediment, but he pressed the writers to levy money of the country and hire carts therewith. They told him that no such thing was required of them by the Commission. They charge the purveyor with various acts of misconduct, and deny that they ever thought it fit for the owners of the carts to set their own prices.

July 1. Farringdon. 5. Dorothy Lady Unton to Sec. Dorchester. The bearer for five years past had the consent of the Archbishop and a promise from Dr. Ashley, warden of All Souls, to be chaplain of that college. The place being vacant another man is recommended by his Majesty's letters. Prays the Secretary to procure the bearer (who is a servant's son of the writer) his right.

July 1. Aboard the Mary Rose, in the Downs. 6. Capt. Francis Sydenham to Nicholas. Has come into the Downs until he can procure a new main-yard from Chatham. Six Spanish men-of-war and sixteen Dunkirkers ready to come forth. They are awaited by the States men-of-war, whom he is also going to join. Hopes he will see them righted in the victualler's complaint of their sending back stinking beef. *Incloses,*

6. I. *Capt. Sydenham to Mr. Alcock. Complains of the defects in weight and quality of the victuals supplied to his vessel.* [*Copy.*]

July 1. Westminster. 7. F. [?] Nicolls to Endymion Porter. Urges expedition in suits confided to Porter to be preferred to the King.

July 1. 8. Paper indorsed by Bishop Laud as "Propositions concerning "the English Churches in the Netherlands, &c." It enumerates twenty places in the United Provinces in which public churches were or were shortly to be allowed to English subjects, and states that in the public assemblies in those places, the congregations served God without any set form of prayer, and administered the Sacraments in conceived forms of their own. The advantages are stated which it was conceived would follow from their being placed under ecclesiastical government, and adopting the formularies of the Church of England.

July 1. 9. Account of Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, administrator of Wm. late Earl of Pembroke, Vice-Admiral of South Wales, of all perquisites belonging to the Admiralty within cos. Pembroke, Carmarthen, and Cardigan, which were under the com-

mand of Sir James Perrott, Deputy Vice-Admiral, for three years past. Wm. Herbert and Henry Morgan, two other deputies of the said Wm. Earl of Pembroke, craved respite, nothing having fallen with them worthy of consideration.

July 2. Whitehall. 10. Order of Council. On a petition of Capt. Luke Fox it was stated that the King had lent the Charles, pinnace, to the Adventurers for the North-west Passage, to be set forth this spring, but that her provisions could not be made ready in time. Having been at charge of 35*l.* about the said pinnace, it is prayed that in the meantime she may be used as a man-of-war, or for merchandizing with letters of marque. It is ordered accordingly.

July 2. 11. Petition of Richard Ballman, of Bristol, brewer, to the Lords of the Admiralty. William Buckstone [Buxton] being employed by the Victualler of the Navy, petitioner, above two years since, gave him credit for beer to the value of 180*l.*, the non-payment of which is like to be his ruin. Prays payment, or that he may sue Buxton. *Underwritten,*

11. I. *Order of the Lords of the Admiralty for Buxton to show by what warrant he took up these provisions. Whitehall,* 1630, *July* 2.

[July 2?] 12. Copy of the preceding petition and order of reference, with report of William Buxton underwritten, that, at the time alluded to, he spent much time and disbursed great sums of money of his own to make ready those provisions for his Majesty's service. Prays them to take order for his speedy satisfaction, and not to permit any man to cast the burthen of those debts on him.

July 2. 13. Sir Guilford Slingsby to Nicholas. Gives him notice of various things of which he is to put the commissioners in mind at their next meeting. Amongst them, how to procure a supply of cordage for the Navy; a new warrant for sale of ships; the Notre Dame sold for 200*l.*; the St. John de Garrowne [Jean de Garonne] lent to the Earl of Suffolk; the Peter, flyboat, lent to Sir John Wentworth, fit to be sold.

July 2. Bristol. 14. Wm. Willett to the same. Acknowledges his letter of the 25th ult., concerning the money taken by a ship of Bristol. The mariners stole the money ashore in the night. It was restored, but much trouble ensued. The tenths belonged to the Lord Admiral. It was the untowardliest business he ever meddled withal.

July 2. 15. Edmund Bolton to [Endymion Porter]. In consequence of Porter's promise to further the writer with what power he had, and with the affection of a loving brother, he had sent him a scroll, containing some suggestions for the writer's benefit, which Porter had torn in pieces. Comments thereon, and begs Porter still to continue to do him good.

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July [2 ?] Leyden. 16. John Dinley to [Sec. Dorchester]. Congratulations on his marriage.

July 2. 17. Affidavit of George Johnson, servant of Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, that his master on the 13th May last had obtained a Council warrant to ride post to Boston on his Majesty's service. At Royston, Edward Whited [Whitehead] the constable, in the absence of the postmaster, refused to provide them with horses, and being told he should answer his neglect, replied, "Tush, do your worst, "you shall have none of my horses in spite of your teeth!"

July 3. 18. The Commissioners for Exacted Fees to the King. Report respecting the overcharges and abuses of the three Prothonotaries of the Common Pleas, the six clerks of the Chancery, and the clerk of the Hanaper. [*Copy.*]

July 3. Week. 19. John Lord Poulett to [Sec. Dorchester]. Heard of his marriage by the Sec.'s servant, Mr. Nicolls. Congratulates him thereon. Mons. de Soubise was lately there, and received letters out of France and from London that 2,000 men were to be sent into Italy under Sir James Scott. Solicits lieutenancies for Edward May and Simon Hayman, two of the officers sent out of the Low Countries to discipline the trained bands in England.

July 3. 20. Thomas Viscount Wentworth to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to renew the Commission touching Recusants convict in cos. Stafford, Derby, Chester, Lancaster, and other the northern counties, omitting Sir David Foulis, Sir Thos. Posthumus Hobby, Sir Wm. Sheffield, Sir Henry Anderson, and Sir John Lowther, and inserting Richard Dyot.

July 3. 21. Officers of the Navy to Nicholas. Certain masts lying at Feltham [Felpham], near Arundel, were contracted for, for his Majesty's use, and order given to transport them to Portsmouth, which was resisted by Mrs. Mary Thompson, who hauled them on her own ground and detained them as wreck, notwithstanding a decree to the contrary in the Admiralty. Request him to move the Lords of the Admiralty that she may be sent for to answer her contempt.

July 3. Minories. 22. Sir Euball Thelwall to Bishop Laud. Explains how Jennings's debt concerns him and the college. Denies that there is any cause for clamour against either of them. Upon the Bishop's former letter had done somewhat for the man, which he explains.

July 4. 23. Charles Harbord to Endymion Porter. Has satisfied the Attorney General of the way the writer has found out to put Porter in possession if the King and the Lord Treasurer hold their intentions therein. For settling the business of Hartwell Park, Mr. Jenkins desires that Porter will give them an appointment on Monday next.

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July 5. Whitehall. Proclamation for better discovery and prevention of burglaries, and for suppressing unlawful practices of retailing brokers. All brokers, broggers, hucksters, and others are commanded to register their purchases, or the receiving in pawn of any plate, jewels, apparel, household stuff, books, bedding, or remnants of silks, velvets, or of linen or woollen cloth, in an office instituted for that purpose. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 128.]

July 5. 24. Certificate of Peter Heywood, Justice of Peace for Westminster, that Samuel Abbot of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, gentleman, had taken the oath of allegiance.

July 5. 25. Minutes by Nicholas of business to be transacted this day by the Lords of the Admiralty: among them, matters indicated in various previous letters; the supply of cordage; Mrs. Thompson's refusal to give up the wrecked masts; Capt. Plumleigh's journal; order for settling two Whelps on the coast of Ireland; a letter from Sir Thos. Button concerning his employment, &c.

July 6. St. James's. Proclamation for ease of the subjects in making their compositions for not receiving knighthood according to law. It being inconvenient, chargeable, and at this time dangerous, to draw persons living in parts remote to London to make their compositions, the King has resolved to send Commissions to the several counties. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 129.]

July 6. Westminster. 26. The King to the Justices in the Marches of Wales. Understanding by the report of the Lord Keeper and of the late Lord President of Wales, that the letters patent granted to Robert Thorne are void in law, it is appointed that thenceforth the Judges [in the Court of the Marches] shall take the oaths and have the fees for that service. [*Copy.*]

July 6. 27. Another copy of the same.

July 6. Sessions at Guilford. 28. Justices of Peace for co. Surrey to Lord Keeper Coventry. Send a petition from the inhabitants of the west part of co. Surrey. A restraint of the use of waggons contained in a late proclamation is greatly detrimental to the inhabitants who dwell "near the wild of" that county. Wains and carts with two wheels are unfit for their employment, especially at this time of year, when they continually employ waggons in fetching chalk from the Downs.

July 6. Whitehall. 29. Sec. Dorchester to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a grant of a pension of 200*l.* per annum to the Lady Margaret Mennes.

July 6. Southampton. 30. John Ellzey to Nicholas. Sends copy of appraisement of the two small prizes brought into Cowes by Capt. William Scras. The tenths amount to 17*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.* Sends also a letter thereon of Ellzey's substitute at Cowes. *Inclosed,*

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30. I. *Appraisement of the Hope of Porte de Porte, and of Our Lady of Rosario.* [*Copy.*]

30. II. *John Cornelius to Ellzey. Sends the above copy of appraisement with comments thereon. Cowes,* 1630, *July* 5.

July 6. 31. Wm. Batten to Nicholas. The writer, Richard Bemond, and Owen Jennings went to Mrs. Thompson and demanded the masts. She refused to give them up, alleging that she had sold them, and would avouch the sale. The next day they sent men to dig them out of the shingle, but she was there ready with her tenants with staves and pitchforks, and told them they should not touch a mast there, and that she would indict them for coming on her land. So they went no further in the business.

July 6. Plymouth. 32. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the same. The weather is so unseasonable for the saving of victuals that he is forced to stay there longer than he had hoped. Capt. Gibbon is supplied with beer and to-morrow puts to sea, to scour the coast about the Land's End.

July 6. 33. Minutes by Nicholas, of answers directed by Sec. Coke to be made to various petitions addressed to the Lords of the Admiralty. Among the petitioners are Hu. Paynter, John West, and Ant. Steevens.

July 7. 34. Petition of Mary Thompson, widow, guardian of her daughter Katherine Thompson, to the Council. In October 1628, 28 masts were driven ashore on the lands of the petitioner in Sussex, and were taken by her as wreck of the sea, which she has under a grant of Queen Elizabeth. The owners claimed the same in the Court of Admiralty, but their suit was dismissed with costs. By subsequent proceedings in the absence of the petitioner, a warrant was obtained by the Commissioners [officers] of the Navy for seizing the said masts for his Majesty's use. Prays that the same warrant may be recalled, or that if the navy have occasion for the masts she may have reasonable allowance for the same. *Underwritten,*

34. I. *Reference to the Lords of the Admiralty. Whitehall,* 1630, *July* 17.

July 7. Milford Haven. 35. Sheriff and Dep. Lieuts. of Pembroke to the Council. There remains at the mouth of Milford Haven a ship of about 50 tons, with a chaloupe rowing with twelve oars, which has lately taken a neighbour of the writer's, Rowland Howell, and chased Richd. Tasker into Milford Haven. She is conceived to be a Biscayner, and will undo that poor country, which adventures a great part of its estate for Bristol against St. James's fair, in small vessels.

July 7. On board the Reformation in Lee Road. 36. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Sailed from Hull on the 27th May, to convoy the Eastland ships to the Scaw. Gave chase to a Spanish man-of-war and another ship. Two English ships laden with cloth lost on the coast of Norway. Arrived

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at Elsinore on the 27th May, and there detained until the 22nd June. Requests renewal of victuals that he may look after two large Lubeckers at the Land's End.

[July 7?] 37. Petition of Otto de la Porte and company, owners of the St. Jehan of Calais, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Their vessel having been declared lawful prize in the Court of Admiralty, from which sentence they intend to appeal, pray that in the meantime Sir Henry Marten may be forbidden to issue a commission of sale. Fr.

July 7. Lee Road. 38. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. His voyage has produced neither news nor service. Had brought his ship into Lee Road to be supplied with victuals. Has sent up the Miniken and also the Niver, which he wishes may be allowed to continue with him. It is reported that there is a cessation of arms with Spain, and that the Dunkirkers take nothing from the English.

July 7. 39. Capt. John Mason to the same. Sec. Coke calls for the warrant for delivery of the Pied-cow to Mason. There is no need of any session of the Lords for that matter.

July 8. 40. Proposal by Mr. Bartley to make known a secret whereby 4,000 infantry in a level country might defeat 5,000 cavalry.

July 9. Westminster. Grant to John Spencer of a gunner's room in the Tower of London, with a fee of 6*d.* per diem for life. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 14.]

July 9. Whitehall. 41. Order of the Council of War, on a petition from the soldiers of the Garrison of Portsmouth, that forasmuch as that garrison is three years in arrear of their pay, the execution of certain articles signed by the late Earl of Pembroke in the year 1613, should be suspended, and the soldiers be permitted to exercise their several trades. [*Draft.*]

July 9. 42. Capt. John Mason to Sec. Dorchester. Hearing of the Secretary's displeasure against the writer, for that the moneys petitioned for by Lieut. Carleton are not paid, he explains that the sum in question is 59*l.* 14*s.*, a gratuity for the time of the Lieutenant's imprisonment in France. Has entered the Lieut's. name, and intends to pay him from the first moneys received out of 7,800*l.* appointed to have been paid at Midsummer last. The greatest part of Mason's estate lies in his Majesty's hands for 4,000 suits of clothes furnished to the soldiers two years since.

July 9. 43. Exchequer account of receipts and issues from this day to the 16th inst. Among the payments occur, "Patrick Ruthen [Ruthven], 500*l.*; "Ben Jonson, 25*l.*" The receipts for the week, exclusive of the previous balance, were 10,156*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*; the payments, 5,837*l.* 11*s.*; the remain, 5,001*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.*

July 10. Whitehall. 44. The Council of War to the King. Report on the petitions of Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Murray, Mr. Bainbridge, and others, concerning their application for a patent to enable them to repair the common

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arms of the kingdom. The persons nominated as Commissioners are unknown to the members of the Council of War. The cautions contained in the Commission are very good, but not so full as they should be to bind the Armourers and Gunmakers. They attend his pleasure whether they should enlarge the conditions and appoint Commissioners in every county. *Underwritten,*

44. I. *Reference back to the Council of War to enlarge the cautions and conditions and to give further order therein as should be found advantageous. Woking,* 1630, *July* 29.

July 10. 45. Copy of the preceding.

July 10. 46. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Have taken a survey of the St. Anne prize. Inclose estimate of the value of her hull and ordnance. This ship and the St. Claude are very serviceable. For the ease of the estimate for the ordinary suggest the sale of the Esperance. *Inclose,*

46. I. *Estimate above mentioned : total,* 1,408*l.*

July 10. 47. Sir Ralph Hopton to Sec. Dorchester. Understanding, like a countryman, casually, of troops going for Venice, the writer recommends his kinsman, Lieutenant Richard Hall, for employment.

July 10. 48. Act Questions in Theology to be discussed this day and the 12th inst. at Oxford. The persons who were to take parts on this occasion were Hannibal Potter, John English, Richard Gardyner, John Stubbing, James Marsh, Henry Lockett, Thomas Howell, William Boswell, William Dillon, Jonathan Browne, Henry Clay, Giles Thorne, George Riddle, and Henry Bellamy. [Printed.]

July 11. London. 49. Henry Viscount Dunbar to Sec. Dorchester. Dealt with Lord Wentworth, both before and since, that he would noways oppose the writer, which he engaged he would not; but yesternight, coming to the Lord Treasurer's, he told the writer that the King had been moved in his business, but had suspended it. The Lord Treasurer told the King, the writer would compound so he might be freed from conviction, so that he fears he shall be left wholly to Lord Wentworth.

July 12. Westminster. Commission to Henry Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, Edward Earl of Dorset, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen, Secretary Dorchester, Sir Thomas Edmondes, Sir Henry Fane [Vane], and Secretary Coke, to search what Records or other papers of State in the custody of Sir Robert Cotton, properly belong to his Majesty, and thereof to certify. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 15.]

July 12. Westminster. 50. The King to the Treasurer, Chancellor, and Under-treasurer of the Exchequer. Sir James Bagg having disbursed for the King's service betwixt February 1626 and the last day of October

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1628, as he alleges, the sum of 51,361*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.*, the greatest part whereof is yet unpaid, they are to give warrant for taking his accompts, and he having paid many sums on the verbal directions of the late Duke in extremity of haste, they are to direct the auditors to make allowance of such sums of money as in his book of accompts he shall demand to have been disbursed for the King's service, the same being delivered upon oath. [*Copy.*]

July 12. 51. Names of his Majesty's ships now at sea, with their employments, and periods for which they are victualled.

July 12. 52. Certificate of William Cooke and others that George Rivers was able to execute the place of cook in any of his Majesty's ships.

July 14. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Jacques de Blanclieu dit du Pont, 400*l.*, disbursed for his Majesty's secret service. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 16.]

July 14. Westminster. Grant to Thomas Viscount Wentworth of the office of bailiff of Richmond, co. York, with the chief forestership of the forests, and keepership of the castles of Richmond and Middleham, and the fee of 50*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.* per annum, the same being void by the decease of Emanuel Earl of Sunderland. [*Ibid., No.* 17.]

July $\frac{14}{24}$. St. Martin's Lane. 53. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Elizabeth Queen of Bohemia. His grief at not receiving some further appointment on his return from foreign employment. Loves the King, his religion, the good cause, and his country, and cannot believe but God will look on them; for himself it is sufficient that he observes all men's advancement before him and above him, as astrologers do comets; for the most fixed stars and the highest are least observed. The King of Sweden has landed ere now in Germany, for he was to put to sea in June. Upon anything within England Mr. Comptroller, who is of the Cabinet, and one of those that can read whispers, is much abler to inform her what is thought in the Court than the writer can tell her what is done in Paul's.

July 14. Whitehall. 54. The Council to all Mayors, Sheriffs, and others. Robert Barker, his Majesty's printer, having informed the Council that some persons have of late secretly printed and imported many English bibles, testaments, liturgies, and other church books, of right belonging to him, and which also tend to corrupting the text, and fostering heresies, the persons addressed are to aid Barker in making search for persons probably suspected to imprint or import such books.

July 14. Whitehall. 55. Order of Council. The Clerk of the Signet is to prepare a bill for his Majesty's signature, for the sale of the prize ship, the Esperance.

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July 14. Maidstone. 56. Richard Browne, Sheriff of Kent, to the Council. Sends two certificates of proceedings upon their letters for restraint of vagrants. *Inclosed,*

56. I. *Certificate above mentioned for the Lathe of Scray:* 108 *vagrants have been apprehended.* 1630, *July* 7.

56. II. *The like for the Lathe of Shipway.* 1630, *June* 17.

July 14. Aboard the Tenth Whelp in Widson Bay, near the Land's End. 57. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to Lord Treasurer Weston. It has been his good fortune to capture a second man-of-war of St. Jean de Luz, burden 30 tons, four pieces of ordnance, 35 men. The first harbour he can get to, intends to send them all to London. Desires their orders for disposing of the vessel, and for new victuals that he may keep that coast.

July 14. Pendennis Castle. 58. Sir Wm. Killigrew to Nicholas. Begs that he will help the bearer to a letter of marque for a ship of Pennycomequick; wishes it to be antedated.

July 14. Aboard the Tenth Whelp in Widson Bay. 59. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to the same. Recapitulates with additions the information contained in his letter of this date to the Lord Treasurer.

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July 15. The Convertive, ready to sail out of Plymouth Sound. 1. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has these three days attended the waftage of his Majesty's sugars, but the wind being adverse, has spent the time about the Land's End, which is infested by the enemy. With the first fair wind will return with the sugars into the Downs.

July 15. 2. Petition of Robert Jones to Lord Chief Justice Hyde. Being pressed from Brill, in co. Bucks, and maimed in the Isle of Rhé, prays the Lord Chief Justice to appoint the Treasurers of that county to allow him a maintenance. *Underwritten,*

2. I. *Answer of the Lord Chief Justice. Recommends the petitioner to petition the Justices of Peace, and to repair to the place of his last abiding or birth, and not to wander up and down the country.* 1630, *July* 15.

2. II. *Recommendation of Sir Edward Tyrrell and Sir Edmund Verney that the petitioner should be paid* 30*s.*

July 15. Tottenham. Minutes by Nicholas of answers directed by Sec. Coke to be given to various petitions addressed to the Lords of the Admiralty. Among the petitioners mentioned are Cox, Capt. Frost, Thibault, Bugby, and Powell. [*See* 1630, *July* 6' *Vol.* clxx., *No.* 33.]

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July 16. Nonsuch. Proclamation concerning new buildings in and about the City of London, and against dividing houses into several dwellings, and receiving inmates. The King had renewed his commission upon this subject, and announced in this proclamation the instructions in conformity with which the commissioners were to act. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 130.]

July 16. 3. List of Commissioners for Buildings, signed by the King.

July 16. Norwich. 4. Mayor and others of Norwich to the Council. Received their order for speedy payment of 166*l.* collected for defence of the Palatinate, and brought into the city treasury. Again inform them that the amount had been disbursed for his Majesty's service. If enforced to pay the amount they must make a tax upon the inhabitants, which will be against right, and grievous and inconvenient in this time when taxes for the relief of the infected are so frequent.

July 16. 5. Henry Earl of Holland to Sec. Dorchester. Nothing happened since his departure of change there [at Court], or great news from abroad. The despatches he sent, the King has given to the writer to keep until the Sec. returns, which he expects to be at Windsor. He will then review them, and reply. Presents humble service to the Sec.'s noble lady.

July 16. On board in Tilbury Hope. 6. Sir Henry Mervyn to Capt. Dawtry Cooper. Would appoint him his Lieutenant were he not already engaged to Capt. Fogg. Advises him to apply for Capt. Fogg's Whelp.

July 17. Ludlow Castle. 7. Sir John Bridgeman and Sir Marmaduke Lloyd, Justices of Chester, to the Council. After the last Assizes they heard the matter between Sir Randall Crewe and the City of Chester. It appeared that the tolls in question were enjoyed by those from whom Sir Randall derives his title, and that the city had taken them for some time, paying a yearly rent of 10*s.* The writers pressed the citizens to show by what title they received the tolls, but none was produced. The writers were fully satisfied that the tolls belonged to Sir Randall Crewe.

July 17. Dover. 8. Anthony Percival to Nicholas. Sir William Russell having sold the pipe staves which lie at Dover, to one who he fears will not currently pay for them, has desired the writer to demand the same for his Majesty's use, or to receive the money before the purchaser take them into his possession.

July 17. 9. Names of such Separatists or Brownists as are resident in Great Yarmouth. With one exception they are extremely poor people. Several of them had been committed to gaol, where they lived "on the basket."

July 18. Scadbury. 10. Sir Thos. Walsingham to Nicholas. Received copy of a letter from the Justices of Peace for Kent, directed to them by the Lords of the Council, concerning the transportation of corn. Wishes to know whether, upon that letter, he may give warrant for stay of

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corn and victual daily transported to the impoverishing of the kingdom. Hears there be some Lords and new Privy Councillors this day to be made, if there be, prays him to send word.

July 19. Langley. 11. [Lord President Conway] to Sir Ralph Freeman. Requests him to present a certificate enclosed to the King. The Lord Marshal and the writer are of opinion that it would be royal justice and bounty to pay the arrears due to the person interested, and in lieu of pension to give him 300*l.* more, 600*l.* in all. Secretary Coke differs from them, whereupon they refer the matter to the King's bounty. [*Draft.*]

July 19. 12. Justices of Peace for co. Cambridge to Sec. Dorchester. On Saturday last, Cambridge being full of country people, the ostler taking or delivering their horses fell down dead of the plague. The writers renew their suit that the Cambridge people may not spread the infection by leaving the town, and that the markets may be held only on three days, or in the open air.

July 19. Waterford. 13. Capt. Francis Hooke to Nicholas. Took, right against Waterford, an English bark from a Biscayan man-of-war, which he had captured three days before. Sent 21 Biscayners to Waterford, where they are in the gaol, and has sent the bark to Bristol to the charge of Mr. Kitchen, clerk of the cheque there. There was one Englishman in her, John Tutchin, who is part owner.

July 20. 14. Exemplification of Letters Patent of Queen Elizabeth, dated 20 April, in the 28th year of her reign [1586] whereby she gave commission to Archbishop Whitgift and others to compound with the creditors of poor prisoners in the King's Bench and Fleet, and upon such composition to set them at liberty: exemplified on the requisition of George Hudson and —— Smyth. [*Copy.*]

July 20. The Convertive in Plymouth Sound. 15. Capt. Rich. Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has lighted upon a Portuguese taken without a commission by an English Rocheller, bound for Canada. Had left her in Catwater. Her lading is sugar, Brazilwood, hides, and tobacco. The coast is now clear of Biscayners as far as the Land's End, but they are shot up into the Severn. If their Lordships will let him have the sloop and ketch, they shall easily drive them away. The Whelp has spent her foretopmast. Is setting sail to waft the sugars to the Downs.

July 20. The Convertive in Plymouth Sound. 16. The same to Lord Treasurer Weston. Relates particulars of the capture of the Portuguese vessel above mentioned. Has delivered her to Sir James Bagg's officers until the Lord Treasurer shall determine respecting the property of the goods.

July 20. The Convertive in Plymouth Sound. 17. The same to Nicholas. Further particulars of the capture of the Portuguese vessel before mentioned. The Rocheller was commanded by Captain Casmere, and set forth by Sir William Alexander and some Southampton Merchants for Canada. The prize is worth 14,000*l.*

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July 20. 18. Memoranda by Sir George Vane concerning the desires of the country for alterations in the carriage of timber for the navy, from Badsell to the River Medway.

July 20/30. Sedan. 19. Peter Du Moulin to the Duchess Dowager de la Tremouille. Undertook the defence of the late King against Cardinal Perron, and has dedicated his book on that subject to the present King. His Majesty has thanked the writer by Sec. Dorchester, who has assured him of his Majesty's inclination to gratify the writer on any occasion which may arise. Being old and with ten children, he would like, if possible, to obtain from the King the survivorship, for his son Cyrus, of his prebend at Canterbury, which brings him in 1,000 francs per annum. When he was in England he intended to propose this to the late King, but his illness prevented it. As the Duchess is now in England, begs her to intercede with the King on his behalf. Fr.

July 21. Aboard the Tenth Whelp. 20. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to Nicholas. Reports the capture of the Brazilman by "the French man-of-war inhabited here in "England." Wants victuals, that he may sail again for the Land's End, whence he makes no great question to bring in another Biscayner. Wishes the Lords would give him the Biscayner he had taken.

July 21. The Downs; aboard the Seventh Whelp. 21. Capt. Richard Fogg to the same. Transported Madame Peronne, the Queen's midwife, from Dover to Boulogne, on Monday last.

July 21. 22. Commissioners for disafforesting Roche Forest to John Lord Poulett, Lieutenant of that Forest, or George Coles, his ranger. Warrant to deliver to Thomas Warr, the owner of Stevely woods, one fat buck of this season.

July 21. Westminster. 23. Rowland Woodward to Fras. Windebank. Lord Dorchester's coming has at last got him the Signet, and he hopes the Privy Seal and Great Seal will follow. Since he was at Nonsuch, where he ended with Sir John Finet before the Lord Chamberlain, a little quietness of mind has begot the inclosed verses on the Prince's birth. His sister and he are thinking of Northamptonshire.

July 22. Roehampton. 24. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a grant of the prebend of Wetwang, co. York, in fee farm, to Thos. Potts, at a rent of 80*l.* per annum.

July 23. Grant to John Wood of his Majesty's half part of fines reserved in a grant made to Patrick Murray and Thos. Potts, in the 16th year of James I., of the moiety of fines then due from the beginning of his reign, and assessed by any Commissioners of Sewers, or which should arise within 21 years after. [*Docquet.*]

July 23. 25. Exchequer account of receipts and issues from the 16th inst. to this day. Among the payments enumerated occur;—Lady

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Cotton, 100*l.*; Eleanor Felton, 50*l.*; and two payments of 1,000*l.* each to John Dalbier. The receipts were 13,945*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.*; the payments, 13,605*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*; the balance remaining, 5,341*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*

July 24. 26. Petition of Thomas Banister, Mark Quested, and Edward Bellamie, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Their Lordships sent for Nathaniel Cox, of Yarmouth, to appear, and on the 7th inst. it was ordered that he should put in caution in the Admiralty Court to pursue his right without delay. Cox is gone out of town without performing the order. Pray that he may be sent for to answer his contempt, and that the bark in question may be delivered to petitioners, who will give caution to answer any suit.

July 24. 27. Philip Burlamachi to Dorchester. According to his request has given Mr. Carpenter a letter of credit for 200*l.*, payable in Holland to Sir [Dudley] Carleton. Recent foreign intelligence. Proposal of the Emperor that the King of Bavaria should renounce his pretensions. Fears that the Diet at Ratisbon will conclude before the arrival of Anstruther. Anger of Wallenstein against those who talk of a reformation of religion. The King of Sweden having refused an accommodation of the business of Stralsund, his invasion is to be opposed. Wallenstein is desirous to carry succour to the Duke of Savoy. Fr.

July 24. Bristol. 28. William Willett to Nicholas. Will convey the letter of the Lords of the Admiralty to Sir Thomas Button. The Fifth Whelp is at Waterford, with a command from the Lords Justices to waft over the Irish fleet to the Bristol Fair. Many Irish and English barks have been taken by the Biscayners, which makes men fearful to trade for those parts. Wishes an end could be put to the charges respecting the salt prize sent in by the Convertive. They will take away a good part of the principal.

July 24. Nonsuch. 29. W. Sanderson to ———. At last the indictment of those poor wretches condemned [for piracy] at Southampton is returned. Begs him to draw up their pardon. If it could be done before the King goes further in progress would be glad. Fears they will otherwise be hanged.

July 25. Woburn. 30. Francis Earl of Bedford to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador at the Hague. The Fen business is so feasible, and may be so profitable, the extent of the drowned grounds by fresh waters being 360,000 acres, that the Earl is very willing to force Sir Henry into such an adventure. Means to venture some part of his own shrunk fortune, and expects some persons of quality and judgment to be there from Sir Henry to join with Vermuyden, by the 14th of August. The Earl being to send and settle two of his younger boys in the Low Countries, his wife has pressed Mr. Blechenden to go with them to see them settled there. Hopes this will not be a cause of misunderstanding between him and Mr. Blechenden.

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July 26. St. James's. 31. Order of Council. Secretary Dorchester has signified that it is his Majesty's pleasure to lend his prize ship the Esperance to George Rookes, Francis Blizard, and Robert Woodroffe, of London, merchants trading to Barbary, for two years. The Lords of the Admiralty are to give order accordingly.

July 26. Aboard the Tenth Whelp in Plymouth Sound. 32. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to Nicholas. Having refitted, is about to range the coast betwixt the Land's End and Ram Head for some ten days, and wishes that a new supply of victuals may await him at Portsmouth. Landed the Biscayans at the Mount with a certificate to travel to London. But hears that some country Justice has sent them to Lanson [Launceston] gaol. Has their vessel with him. Mans her out of the Whelp, and intends to bring her for Portsmouth.

July 27. Nonsuch. 33. The King to Wm. Earl of Salisbury. Assures him of his purpose to confer upon him the office of Master of the Court of Wards and Liveries, when the same shall become void, unless, in the meantime, the King shall take some other occasion to express his esteem for him. [*Fair copy, unsigned.*]

July 27. 34. Draft of the preceding.

[July 27.] 35. The same to the Lieutenant of Dover Castle and Mayor of Dover. Being informed of notable abuses at this time in licences for travel, some under pretence of going to the Spa, and others upon other occasions, the King stops licences which have been granted since the beginning of the present progress, that is, from 14 July inst. [*Draft.*]

July 27. Nonsuch. 36. Sec. Dorchester to Sec. Coke. Informs him that the King had thought fit to stop all licences for travel as above mentioned, and especially desires him to stay one granted to Lord Chaworth, or if it be delivered, to let his Lordship know that he is not to make use of it till his Majesty's further pleasure be known. [*Copy.*]

July 27. Canbury. 37. Lord Keeper Coventry to Sec. Dorchester. Incloses letter from the Justices of Assize for co. Nottingham concerning scandalous words alleged to have been spoken by one Buller, town clerk of Newark. The report may be brought to the Court in other terms than upon due examination thereof could be maintained by proof, therefore he sends the letters themselves, that he may make use thereof as there shall be occasion. The Clerk of the Assize, whose name is Glover, dwells at Highgate, and has the several examinations in his custody. *Inclosed,*

37. I. *Sir Richard Hutton, Justice of the Common Pleas, and Sir George Croke, Justice of the King's Bench, to Lord Keeper Coventry. When at Nottingham, one Thomas Buller was charged to have said at Newark after Christmas last, that my Lord of Holland had got a great office, and he prayed God he had not sold his conscience to get that office; that the King himself was no divine; and that all or most of his Majesty's Council were Arminians or Papists. This is supposed to have been spoken to one*

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James Levett. After hearing the matter privately, the writers committed both Levett, who had omitted to inform the Mayor of the words spoken, and Buller, to prison; the former was afterwards discharged on his bond to appear, and Buller was ordered to give sureties for good behaviour and to appear at the next Assizes.

July 27. [Chirk ?] 38. Anna Lady Wake to Lord President Conway. Begs his favour towards a kinsman of hers in recommending him to Sir James Scott, to make him an officer in his regiment that is now designed for Venice.

July 27. London. 39. Sec. Coke to Sec. Dorchester. Sends for the King's signature a letter for the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, for delivery of the St. John of Hamburgh. The goods are left to the ordinary course of justice. Begs that it may be sent to Dorchester's servant Lucas, to be delivered to Fulwood, Coke's secretary, or by post to Coke himself, who proposes to take his journey on Thursday. Increase of the sickness is apprehended.

July 27. Tottenham. 40. The same to the same. Has sent the bearer to take back from Lord Chaworth's agent the pass and safe conduct which were delivered to him.

July 27. 41. Attorney General Heath to the same. Sends for the King's signature a privy seal to give warrant to the Lord Treasurer to perfect a contract with Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, also a form of warrant to the Clerk of the Signet, for preparing the letters he mentioned to the Sec. yesterday.

July 27. Nonsuch. 42. [Sec. Dorchester] to Sir Wm. Alexander, Sec. for Scotland. Letters of reprisal against the Hamburghers, granted in Scotland, to David Robertson, for a robbery committed at sea by Alexander Lonck, and Michael Utenhove, are to be recalled until justice has been demanded of the Hamburghers. If Sir Robert Anstruther be yet at Hamburgh, he can procure Robertson a quick dispatch ; if he be at the Diet at Ratisbon, Sir William should write to Joseph Avery, secretary of the English merchants, who has charge of the King's affairs in the Ambassador's absence. The King and Queen are there well, and were both yesterday at St. James's to see the young prince, who prospers exceedingly. The season of the year which ripens affairs as it does fruits, will produce somewhat ere long in foreign parts worth his knowledge, whereof Dorchester will not fail to advertise Sir William and the Lord Chancellor. [*Draft.*]

July 27. 43. Wm. Willett to [Nicholas]. Sir Thomas Button came from Waterford with the Irish fleet. The Lords Justices have commanded him to free the passage between Dublin, Holyhead, and Chester, which is infested by a pirate. He needs a supply of victuals. Willett has learned that the Dunkirk ship is adjudged prize to the King. If the commission for sale be addressed to those persons whose names he set down it will be more available to the King.

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July 27. 44. Minutes by Nicholas of answers directed by Sec. Coke to be made to divers petitions to the Lords of the Admiralty. The petitioners replied to are Jacobs, Godfrey of Rochelle, Mr. Hilliard, Thomas Banister, (Cox ordered to be sent for), and Sir Sackville Trevor. There is also a draft minute of a letter from the Lords of the Admiralty to the officers of the Navy directing them to accept the offers made by the gentlemen of Kent (1630, *July* 20, *Vol.* clxxi., *No.* 18.), concerning the carriage of his Majesty's timber from Badsell to the Medway.

July 28. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Bishop Laud 100*l.* to be disposed of for the relief of poor people, sick of the plague in or near the City of London, according to the King's promise at his last being at the church of St. Paul to give God thanks for the birth of the Prince of Wales. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 18.]

July 28. 45. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. When the writer attended the King at St. James's, he acquainted his Majesty with an inclosed examination, and the general desire of the country that so foul and abominable a fact might not escape punishment. The King was far from thinking such a murderer, a fit subject for his grace, and commanded that execution of justice should not be stayed by any directions from him. Begs the Sec. to give order accordingly. *Inclosed,*

45. I. *Examinations taken at Thornton, co. Chester, of Edmund Durning and William Grismond, both of Lainterden [Leintwardine], co. Hereford, relating to the murder of Margaret Clarke, who was found in a broom close with her throat cut.* 1629, *Nov.* 1.

July 28. London. 46. Lieutenant M. [?] Tracy to Lord President Conway. Begs him not to forget to recommend a poor kinsman to Sir James Coote, for a company this voyage.

July 28. London. 47. Sir Thos. Roe to Sec. Dorchester. Solicits him to grant the bearer 10*l.* to return to his master, who is a faithful servantto his Majesty, in the employ of the Duke of Courland.

July 28. 48. Sir Henry Glemham to the same. Comfort he and his wife received in his presence there, and his affection for their daughter. They will endeavour to merit the continuance of so great a happiness.

July 28 / Aug. 7. Sedan. 49. Peter Du Moulin to the same. He did not deserve that his Majesty should employ a man of Dorchester's quality and merit to testify that he had looked favourably on Du Moulin's labours. Wisdom of the King in selecting for his service a man who to the service of the King unites the glory of God and the good of his church. Fr.

July 28. The Downs. 50. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Junction of his whole fleet in the Downs, except the ship under command of Capt. Gibbon. Has placed Capt. Cooper in his command. Has appointed the Convertive and the Tenth Whelp to ply to the westward of the Isle of Wight, and has sent with them the Miniken. The Mary Rose and the

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Second Whelp are to ride betwixt the Downs and the Isle of Wight. Himself, the Seventh Whelp, and the Niver, having put over my Lord Duke for the coast of France, purpose to follow after the Convertive, and to employ himself to and again as occasion shall serve. Begs allowance of men and victuals for the Niver.

July 28. Aboard the Mary Rose in the Downs. 51. Capt. Francis Sydenham to Nicholas. Landed the Lord Ambassador [Sir Henry Vane] at the Brill on the 22nd inst., and made as much of Mr. Samuel Abbot and Mr. Richard Gowlend as he could for Nicholas's sake. Sent the letter to Mr. Mason by Robert Andrews, one of the Ambassador's gentlemen.

July 29. Woking. 52. The King to the Vice-Chancellor, the Mayor, and other Justices of Cambridge. Having received credible information of the dangerous effects produced by the licence for residents in Cambridge to go into the country during this time of danger, and divers Justices of the county having been humble suitors for the re-establishment of the former restraint, the King, in the recess of his Council, interposes his own royal care, and directs that the markets be kept only three days in the week, or that they be held in the open air, and that persons who have removed into the country be forbidden to return to Cambridge unless to abide there, and those in Cambridge be not allowed to go into the country. [*Draft.*]

July 29. 53. Petition of Thos. Dumvill, one of the poor knights of Windsor, to the King. Sets forth a long series of services in connection with the navy, extending from the voyage of Sir Thomas Candidge [Cavendish] to the South Seas to the building of the Lion's Whelps. Having had a suit in the Exchequer against Nicholas Perkins, bailiff in Dunstable, the sheriff would never arrest Perkins, whereupon the Court amerced him in 78*l.* for contempt. Petitioner prays that the said amerciament may be bestowed upon him. *Underwritten,*

53. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a grant accordingly. Woking,* 1630, *July* 29. *Annexed,*

53. II. *Extracts from Records of the Exchequer evidencing that fines amounting to* 78*l.* 6*s.* 8*d. had been set upon Michael Grigg, Sheriff of co. Bedford, for not returning a writ against Nicholas Perkins, in a cause in the Exchequer at the suit of Lucy Colman.*

July 29. Tottenham. 54. Sec. Coke to Sec. Dorchester. Sends a letter for the King's signature to be sent into Ireland on behalf of Mr. O'Kith. It is in accordance with the report of Judge Jones and the writer. News from Hamburgh that the King of Sweden has taken in Stettin, and that the difference between the King of Denmark and the Hamburghers is not yet composed. Doubts not he has received the pass and safe conduct for Lord Chaworth.

July 29. Wimbledon. 55. Edward Viscount Wimbledon to the same. The King had bestowed on the writer the government of Portsmouth. Requests him to get his Majesty's hand to a warrant drawn by the Attorney General.

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July 29. Westminster. 56. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. Desires to be excused that he did not see him at Fulham. His business not yet perfected, there having been yet no Great Seal. If the Lord Keeper scruples, the writer must trouble my Lord of London to get the Lord Treasurer's mark. He cannot stay longer, Lord Westmoreland having sent his coach half way, and his money likely to fall short.

July 29. Dublin. 57. Sir Francis Willoughby to [Capt. John Mason, Treasurer and Paymaster of the Army?]. Has found backwardness in procuring the notes of such moneys as have been paid there for the officers. The Irish regiment is discharged, which will make the ways something unfree for a while, but the country's purses will find ease by it, and have a great deal of other content. Prays him to forget not his suit for Capt. Lewis Williams, by whom a great deal of money is due there. Lady Willoughby brought to bed of a son.

July 30. Grant to Edward Viscount Wimbledon of the office of Keeper and Captain of the town and Isle of Portsmouth and castle there, as William Earl of Pembroke enjoyed the same. [*Docquet.*]

July 30. Woking. 58. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a licence to Sir Thos. Badger, master of the old Harriers, Sir Timothy Tyrrell, master of the Buckhounds, and Thos. Potts, master of the Privy Harriers, to transport to any parts beyond seas, all manner of hounds, beagles, and hunting dogs, with a special command to the officers of the ports not to admit any other person to transport any kind of hunting dogs.

July 30. Woking. 59. The same to Horace Lord Vere, Master of the Ordnance. Warrant to deliver two brazen sakers at Dover Castle to the Lieutenant of the same castle, to be converted into bells for the use and ornament of the church there.

July 30. 60. Draft of the preceding.

July 30. Worcester. 61. Sheriff and Justices of Peace of co. Worcester to Lord Treasurer Weston, Lord President Conway, Henry Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, Edward Viscount Newburgh, and Sec. Coke. In reference to the Order of the Council for delivery of the castle of Worcester to Giles Clutterbuck, they state that, to gain possession of the same, Clutterbuck lately brought a suit in the Exchequer against George Clarke, the under-keeper of the county gaol, that being the purpose to which the castle has been put time out of mind. The Court dismissed the suit to the Common Law. The writers pray that the possession may remain with them until they be evicted by due trial at law.

July 30. 62. Copy of the same.

July 30. Woking. 63. Sec. Dorchester to Lord President Conway. Acquainted his Majesty with his letter and the examinations concerning William Grismond (1630, *July* 28, *Vol.* clxxi., *No.* 45.) He is resolved not to grant him a pardon or further reprieval, and will declare his

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pleasure on the first notice he shall receive from the Judges before whom the offender had his trial.

July 30. 64. Draft of the same.

July 30. 65. Note of the arable land of Warmefield demesnes and the names of the tenants.

July 31. Grant to Edward Viscount Wimbledon of the office of Keeper of the town and Isle of Portsmouth. [*Docquet similar to that dated July* 30, 1630.]

July 31. Whitehall. 66. John Dickenson to Lord President Conway. Lady Regamore has received her goods and security is given for payment of the rent to Lee, so as now it rests that Conway should give order for his release.

July 31. Hatfield. 67. Wm. Earl of Salisbury to Sec. Dorchester. Has heard nothing of the business left in trust to his care. Lest it should be lost in the crowd has commanded his servant to attend the Sec. for a despatch. Sends a draft for his Majesty's hand proportioned to his Majesty's promise and the writer's expectation.

[July ?] 68. Petition of William Ryley to Thomas Earl of Arundel and Surrey, Earl Marshal. The Earl having procured the petitioner the place of Rouge Rose, a pursuivant of arms extraordinary, and directed his warrant to the Signet Office for drawing a bill for delivering a coat to petitioner; the bill being now drawn, petitioner sends it to the Earl Marshal to be offered by him according to custom to the King for signature. [*Mutilated.*]

[July ?] 69. Petition of Edward Goddard to the King. By the death of William Hide a Wiltshire Fellowship became vacant in Exeter College, Oxford. Petitioner's son, Francis Goddard, was chosen on the last day of June last, but Dr. Prideaux, Rector of the College, misled by an untrue certificate, has rejected the election, disfranchised ten of the Fellows of the College, and proceeded with the rest to the election and admission of Thomas Hide, who has 80*l.* per annum left him by his friends. Petitioner not having obtained redress by appeals to "Josua," Bishop of Exeter [Joseph Hall ?], and Bishop Laud, the Chancellor of the University, prays the King to refer the business to Bishop Laud. [*Indorsed by Bishop Laud.*]

[July ?] 70. Petition of Capt. William Killigrew to the same. Sets forth his past services for fourteen years in the wars abroad, and prays that if the Venetian Ambassador obtains licence to levy men in the King's dominions, petitioner may receive such place of employment therein as the King shall think fit.

[July ?] 71. Petition of William Lee to Lord President Conway. Notwithstanding Conway's endeavour to procure Sec. Coke to take up the cause depending between Sir Peter Regamore and the petitioner, he has been committed to the Marshalsea and is in great distress and misery, having a great rent to pay for his house [in Charing Cross

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Street, *Conc. Reg. Charles I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 64], and a wife and great charge to maintain. Prays for speedy delivery out of prison. [*Committed to the Marshalsea,* 14 *July* 1630, *Reg. Concil., Vol.* vi., *p.* 78.]

[July ?] 72. Petition of Roger Widdrington to the Council. Being confined to the town of Grantham, but there being special business to be transacted during September in Northumberland, concerning his own poor estate, and the estate of his nephew, son and heir of the late Sir Henry Widdrington, petitioner prays that during that month he may be allowed to repair into his own country.

[July ?] 73. Petition of Thos. Bird, prisoner in Dover Castle, to the same. Sets forth an injustice done to the petitioner by Thomas Higgenson, of Rolvingden, co. Kent, clerk, in obtaining a conveyance of petitioner's lands without payment of the consideration money. Both parties being now prisoners in Dover Castle, petitioner prays the Council to give warrant for bringing Higgenson into the Chancery Court of Dover, petitioner being so impoverished that he cannot follow justice against him elsewhere.

July. All Soul's College, the day before the Commemoration. 74. John Morris to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks him for promoting the augmentation of the professorship of Hebrew in the University of Oxford. Honour conferred on foreign Universities by their Hebrew scholars, as Mercier at Paris, Drusius at Franeker, Erpenius at Leyden, and Buxtorf at Bale. Lat.

[July ?] 75. Statement by William Neighbour, of improper conduct of one Martin, who had the care of horses, perhaps belonging to Lord President Conway.

[July ?] 76. List of Recusants in various counties, with brief account of their lands and the values thereof, and the amounts at which they had compounded with the Commissioners for Recusants.

[July ?] 77. Account of arms delivered out of the Armoury in the Tower since 1 Sept. 1629 ; signed, John Butler.

[July.] 78. Account of fees received at the Signet Office during the present month.

[July ?] 79. Petition of Thomas Hilliard, one of the saltpetremen, on behalf of himself and his servants, to the Lords of the Admiralty. By commission, dated 28 April, 5 Car. I., his Majesty authorised their Lordships and their deputies to work for petre in the houses of any of his Majesty's subjects, and within privileged places. About January last, petitioner's workmen endeavoured to dig in the pigeon house of Thomas Bond, who disobeyed the commission, and complained against petitioner, and in February last procured him and his workmen to be sent for by warrant. They have ever since remained prisoners. The articles against them, if stripped of untrue circumstances, are justifiable by the Commission. Pray to be dismissed to their charge and labour in his Majesty's service.

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Aug. 1. Nonsuch. Proclamation prohibiting the keeping of Bartholomew Fair, Sturbridge Fair, and Our Lady Fair in Southwark, on account of the plague which threatens London and Southwark, and has much afflicted Cambridge. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 131.]

Aug. 1. Nonsuch. 1. Petition of the West India Company of the United Provinces to the Council. A Spanish galleon, captured by a ship of the petitioners, was about December 1628 cast away at Castlehaven in Ireland. By an Order of Council of 5 Sept. 1628, free passage was granted to all ships of the petitioners, with right to all wreck of their vessels cast away in his Majesty's dominions. They have ever since laboured for recovery of their wrecked goods at Castlehaven, but Jacob Johnson has lately come thither, and has taken away wrecked goods, made ready for removal by the petitioner's workmen. Pray that he may be restrained from interfering. *Underwritten,*

1. I. *Fiat of the King granting the petitioners' request, and referring the same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Nonsuch,* 1630, *Aug.* 1.

Aug. 1. Wimbledon. 2. Edward Viscount Wimbledon to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for granting his request, especially in a hunting time and a progress. That which stayed his going to Portsmouth was only his commission.

Aug. 1. Belhouse. 3. Edward Lord Newburgh to the same. Sends inclosed Lord Deincourt's answer to Lord Dorchester. The writer applied all the power of his interest and persuasions to bend him to the Sec.'s desires. *Inclosed,*

3. I. *Francis Lord Deincourt to Sec. Dorchester. Is infinitely sorry that it is not in his power to pleasure the Sec. by letting him have his house. The many occasions that draw him to London, with his wife's unwillingness to part with it, disable him from giving his consent. Sutton,* 1630, *July* 21.

Aug. 1. The Downs. 4. Capt. Lewis Powell to Nicholas. Hears that a charge is to be brought against him, said to be in reference to a dead pay. Desires to know what the matter may be, and to come up and meet it. The whole fleet is now in the Downs, except the Tenth Whelp. The Hollanders are in hand for blocking up Dunkirk.

Aug. 2. Mitton. 5. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Sale of horses shall take place as soon as any fairs or other means conveniently may admit. Remits 100*l.* Reports on the state of the park pales and the number of deer in Kingley.

Aug. 2. London. 6. Sir William Becher to Sec. Dorchester. Sends letters received from Lord Newburgh at Belhouse, and from Sir William Anstruther,

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which last comes from his brother Sir Robert. Is come to town to attend this August, but finds none of the Lords in town but the Lord Marshal and Lord Falkland, and none near the town but the Lords Keeper and Treasurer, and no business to do. If the plague increase, solicits permission to retire awhile into the country, leaving one there to receive directions. Sends three warrants to be signed by the Lords at the Court.

Aug. 2. The Downs. 7. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Has given leave to Captain Powell to come for London for two or three days, to have conference with his physician, and also to speak about victualling his ship. Unless course be taken for supply of the Seventh and Second Whelps, they must come in. Is going that instant to attend the Duke of Lennox, and purposes to be in the Downs again by Thursday. The Convertive and other ships will go to the West with the first wind. Thanks for his congratulation of Sir Henry's forsaken kindred. His purpose is not to fall from bad to worse. The sense of a resolved sin woke him from that lethargy wherein he saw at hand the shipwreck of reputation and salvation. Hopes the want of grace will never more expose him to such a slumber.

Aug. 2. Aboard the Seventh Whelp in the Downs. 8. Capt. Dawtry Cooper to the same. The bearer comes to crave his assistance for a supply of victuals. Much of his beer so stinketh that they are not able to endure the hold.

Aug. 2. 9. Officers of the Navy to Sir George Fane [Vane]. John Wall, their purveyor for timber in those parts, is instructed to bring in 500 loads of timber during the present year, and 300 loads in the year ensuing. He has brought in 360 loads; as to the remaining 40 [?] for this year, and the quantity for next year, the country may be charged to bring it no farther than Yalding, if the river be navigable from thence. [*Copy.*] *Inclosed,*

9. I. *John Wall to the Officers of the Navy. Mr. Coale having offered the carriage of the timber by water from Yalding to Chatham, he was willing thereto, but finds a want of water this dry summer.* [*Copy.*]

Aug. 2. Stanford. 10. [Sir Thomas Roe] to Charles Viscount Wilmot. Is newly arrived from a hard journey. Gives account of the truce he had effected between Poland and Sweden. By it the glorious king of Sweden was set at liberty, and had landed in Pomerania, and taken Rugen and a pass near Wolgast. If he be not supported he will make peace with advantage, and return full of glory. Gives a brief glance at the state of affairs throughout the continent of Europe. The English court is a labyrinth of which he has not the clue. The way to heaven is strait and narrow, and in this only the court is like it; there is but one entrance. He expects little there. If anything falls it must proceed from the goodness of the King, who professes to take care of the writer. No show of altering the government of Ireland. Lord Falkland stands stiff to return, or to have recompense, so that the king's service is become a burden which was

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a reward; so he wonders not that their master is poor. Late mortalities have opened the way to ambitious suitors; as, to Wales, Portsmouth, the Stannaries, the Rolls, Justice in Oyer, and the second key, which are all disposed in design. [*Copy.*]

Aug. 2. 11. Bond of Wm. Gomeldon and Richard Hamby, for payment to John Sharpe, at his dwelling-house in St. James's Street, Westminster, of 14*l.* on the 12th February next.

Aug. 3. Ragley. 12. Anthony Connon [Cannon ?] to Lord President Conway. Sends a brace of bucks' shoulders and umbles, and reports respecting a black brach given to the Lord President by Sir Thomas Tyringham, and also respecting the general state of the dogs and deer on Lord Conway's estate.

Aug. 3. 13. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Has received a letter from the Earl of Bedford about the sessions of Sewers for the Great Fens, which much concerns the King's service. Begs him to procure the King's signature to a letter thereon.

Aug. 3. 14. Lord Treasurer Weston [to the same]. Is commanded by his Majesty to send for him with all speed, to confer about some business of importance, of which the writer is to give his Majesty an account upon Saturday at Farnham. Begs him to tell his Lady that it is not the writer's fault so soon to call him from his ease and pleasure.

Aug. 3. York. 15. Sentence passed in the Court of High Commission at York upon Peter Smart, for publishing and preaching a factious, scandalous, and schismatical sermon in the Cathedral of Durham on 27th July 1628. He was to make public submission in the Cathedrals of York and Durham, and at the High Commission Court in Durham, to be suspended from his ministry, to pay a fine of 400*l.*, to be condemned in expenses, and to stand committed until he give caution to perform that order. [*Copy, indorsed by Bishop Laud.*]

Aug. 4. Bagshot. 16. The King to Sir Henry Mildmay, Sir Thomas Fanshaw, and others of co. Essex. Sends them commission for compounding with persons appointed to receive knighthood, with instructions how to execute the same. The King's right to these fines has been made clear by a public declaration of the Barons of the Exchequer, and by counsel learned in the laws, and this shall be the last commission he will issue. Those who now refuse shall have no other recourse for it, but to the Council. Sir Henry and Sir Thomas to be collectors. [*Copy.*]

[Aug. 4?] 17. Edward Earl of Dorset and James Earl of Carlisle to the King. Report on the petition of the inhabitants of High Holborn. and the parishes adjoining, concerning the building of Jeremy Turpin. Having viewed the place, they judge it necessary to be

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built, for the safety of passengers, the adorning of the street, and the amendment of the highway. Leave should be so given as that this building be not made a precedent.

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18. Order of his Majesty referring the petition alluded to in the preceding article to such Commissioners of Buildings as formerly made stay of the said building. When it shall be made appear by their advice, that this building may proceed without prejudice to his Majesty's proclamation or commission for buildings, he will declare his further pleasure. [*Draft.*]

Aug. 4. Edinburgh.

19. Capt. John Mason to Sec. Coke. On 28th July the three estates convened, and before their rising that day was granted payable in four years 400,000*l.* Scottish money, which makes 33,333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* English coin. On the 30th, into the Lord Chancellor's chamber, he lying sick of the gout in his bed, were gathered the Council to hear read the King's letters and instructions touching the fishings. They were afterwards represented to the three estates, and a committee was agreed upon which should give a resolution to the propositions; but little can be done until they have returned home, and have treated with their people, and then commissioners will be sent to London to give resolution. John Hay violently opposes and accuses the Earl of Seaforth for bringing in the Hollanders. The Lord Chancellor and others labour with great ferventness to set forth the work. As touching their woods, is confirmed in his opinion that masts and ship timber may be served from thence, a sample whereof he hopes to present to the King in London if he be not disappointed in the St. Anne.

Aug. 4. Scadbury.

20. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Nicholas. If there be still transportation of corn and victual will make it known to the whole Council. Lord Thanet, in the writer's absence in Norfolk, wrote to his father that Sir Dudley Digges gave out that he should have a new commission of Vice-Admiralty that would drown that of the writer. For the value of the place he does not care, but for Sir Dudley to come over his head he should be very loath, neither would he endure it. For all his great words will not forbear to execute his place within Sir Dudley's hundred of Faversham that he has newly purchased.

[Aug. 5.] [Farnham.]

21. Officers of the Navy to the same. Now that they are met at Farnham, they find no warrant for their proceedings. It is showed to them that it was Sec. Coke's direction that Nicholas should get the Commission dispatched. If the stay arise from there not having been an order for payment of the fees, pray him to lay out what is needful, and send the commission to them at Portsmouth.

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22. Estimate for repairing and fitting to sea the St. Claude, and for boatswain and carpenter's stores for six months: total, 507*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*

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Aug. 5, London. 23. Alexander Feris to Sir John Heydon, Lieutenant General of the Ordnance. Reports interviews with Sir Kenelm Digby on the subject of the contract for supply of gunpowder. Sir Kenelm said that "my Lord's" [Lord Treasurer's?] mind was altered, because Mr. Evelyn had offered to serve in all the powder at 8½*d.* the pound. Sir Kenelm would not bring the writer to see "my Lord" unless he was prepared to make a lower offer than Mr. Evelyn; the writer desired to have speech with "my Lord" in order to advise a better course for the King.

[Aug. 5 ?] Sir John Heydon to the King. Letter or petition praying him to give directions for a speedy prosecution of the Commission for inquiry into the state of the Ordnance, that so those that are delinquents may receive their just censure, and such as have faithfully acquitted themselves may no longer have to endure indignities beyond patience, nor remain obnoxious to indirect aspersions and malicious scandals. [*Draft, written in pencil, by Sir John Heydon, on part of the remainder of the sheet of paper which contains the preceding article.*]

Aug. 6. Chichester. 24. Mons. de Larosiere to Lord President Conway. Has presented his Lordship's letters of recommendation to the Mayor of Southampton, who has given him complete liberty. Returns humble thanks. Fr.

Aug. 6. Wimbledon. 25. Edward Viscount Wimbledon to Sec. Dorchester. When the Lord Mayor waited on his Majesty at Whitehall for his confirmation, his Majesty commanded him that when he went his visitation of the river Thames he should send word to the Court, his Majesty on account of past neglects having resolved to send some of his Council to visit the river with the Lord Mayor. The King appointed the writer, Lord Falkland, Sir Thomas Edmondes, and his Majesty's surveyor, Inigo Jones, as Commissioners, but the visitation was left to under officers, and the Lord Mayor neither went himself, nor sent to the Commissioners.

Aug. 6. Arundel House. 26. Thomas Earl of Arundel and Surrey to the same. Sir Robert Mansell conceiving that a Patent lately signed by the King might be prejudicial to him, the Earl is willing that the words "glass and "glassworks only excepted" may be inserted into the bill signed.

Aug. 6. London. 27. Philip Burlamachi to the same. Sends foreign letters. Signor Daniel Nys has sent a man express hither to intreat the King that he may be satisfied for the statues, but without paying Burlamachi the money he has disbursed for Nys. Hopes his Majesty will not allow him to lose this considerable amount, expended in a business in which he had no interest, except to fulfil the King's command to procure the statues to be sent to England. On taking to the Chancellor the parchment for the exiled ministers of the Palatinate, it has been found that it wants the order to pass by immediate warrant. The ministers of the Flemish Church have requested Burlamachi to send it to the Sec. for rectification. Fr.

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Aug. 6. Bristol. 28. Robert Kitchen to Nicholas. About 20 July there came in there a small English bark which had been taken by a Biscayner that did much spoil in that channel, and was retaken by Captain Hooke, of the Fifth Lion's Whelp. She is not worth above a hundred marks; four poor seamen own her, and she is their whole living. Capt. Hooke has disbursed 8*l.* for her.

Aug. 6. 29. List of ships now at sea, where they are employed, and for what time ordered to be victualled and continued abroad.

Aug. 6. 30. Copy of the same list.

Aug. 6. 31. Another copy of the same.

Aug. 6. 32. Nicholas's rough draft of the same.

Aug. 6. 33. Exchequer Account of Receipts and Issues from the 30th July until this day. Among the payments are mentioned Sir Richard Wynn, 150*l.*; Countess of Denbigh, 500*l.*; Mons. de Sancé, 300*l.*; John Quarles, 550*l.* The receipts were 45,560*l.* 18*s.*; the payments, 44,858*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* The remain was 4,738*l.* 3*s.* 4½*d.*

Aug. 7. Farnham. 34. Sec. Dorchester to Lord President Conway. The affairs of the world, like fruits, are grown ripe with the season. The Duke of Mantua has capitulated for himself and a few more, the rest of his town being sacked after a long siege. Death of the Duke of Savoy after having seen Saluces lost before his eyes. The King of Sweden has entered Germany with a powerful army, which divertisement is like to make the peace of Italy. Now the great ones have eaten up the less (the Austrians the Mantuan, and the French the Savoyard), a pill composed of plague, famine, and war being ministered to them by Mazarin, a Spanish doctor, they are ready to vomit all again. At Farnham their tents are set up like Tartars, and they hunt before and after noon like Indians, as if they should dine and sup on nothing but what they kill.

Aug. 7. 35. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Sir Thomas Frere [Fryer] and Colonel Hakluyt have brought a reference to the Lord Treasurer concerning a parcel of coppice wood enclosed in the Forest of Dean. Sir Alexander Hume has petitioned for the same thing, and the Lord Chamberlain claims an interest. Besides which there is a decree in the Exchequer that the King should make no improvements in that forest without the commoners' consent. Sir Thomas and Colonel Hakluyt hope the Sec. will find some way to help them.

Aug. 8. Farnham. 36. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a commission to Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, Lord Chamberlain, to be the King's Lieutenant within cos. Somerset, Wilts, and Cornwall.

Aug 8. 37. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Begs him to move his Majesty for insertion of the words in the bill granting a

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privilege for the use of turf and peat for making iron, which are necessary for the satisfaction of Sir Robert Mansell, and are consented to by the Lord Marshal.

Aug. 8. Putney. 38. Philip Burlamachi to Sec. Dorchester. Understands that the man sent by Signor Nys has gone direct to the Court. Explains therefore the actual state of the affair. The King has caused several letters to be written that he wished to have the whole collection, and the Lord Treasurer, in the King's name, is bound for the payment. Believes the King continues in the same mind, but if there be a change in that respect, and Nys and the writer are left to proceed against each other, the letters of the writer, Mr. Carey, and others who signified the acceptance of the bargain, and that of the Lord Treasurer, promising payment, will be produced. Wishes him to consider the consequence to the reputation of his Majesty. Is obliged to say this, although in favour of a wicked man, who deserves a stroke of a poignard from the writer rather than any favour. Begs a word of explanation as to what Nys's agent has negotiated. Both master and servant act towards Burlamachi with all kinds of falseness. Fr.

Aug. 8. Aboard the Tenth Whelp, in Portsmouth Harbour. 39. Captain Sidrack Gibbon to Nicholas. Ranging the coast he found in Studland Bay a Frenchman, which had in her 36 firkins of butter, laden in the Isle of Wight. Intreats that she may be allowed to go free, because she is a poor man's, and has other goods aboard, for which they have cockets from the Custom House at Southampton.

Aug. 9. Farnham. Proclamation against the false dying of silk. No dyer was to use any "slipp, alder-bark, filings of iron, or other corrupt or deceit-" ful matter," whereby the weight of the silk might be increased, under pain of punishment by the laws, the Star Chamber, or the King's prerogative royal. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 132.]

Aug. 9. The Court at Farnham. 40. Sec. Dorchester to Bishop Corbet of Oxford. When the progress proves a regress, it may very well fall out that the Sec's. wife will meet him at Brightwell, with some good company out of Suffolk, where she now is with her friends. In the interim desires a fit seat in the church may be made for her at his charge. There was one anciently for the Mistress of Brightwell in the chapel where his father's and grandfather's tombs are, but that is in decay, and too much out of hearing. The place where a woman's pew already stands were the fittest for a divided pew, one for herself and the other for her women, and it would be more convenient if the pulpit were removed to the other side of the church, with the pew made for Mrs. Howson, whereby all would be well accommodated both for the Sec. and the Bishop, against he returned to have women in it as the Sec. had done.

Aug. 10. Aboard the Reformation in the Downs. 41. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Yesterday received their commands for clearing the coasts to the westward. Had not neglected those parts, having instructed Capt. Plumleigh to ply between the Land's End and Portland Point. State of the

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victualling of the several vessels under his command. Begs they may be supplied at Portsmouth. What service can they expect, or how can they keep the sea, when at every turn one ship or other must run in to supply some wants. The King loses his charge, and the writer his esteem in their opinion. Fourteen sail of Spanish ships of war are coming out of Dunkirk. Has promised the Hollanders, who have but ten ships, his aid, and hopes that want of victuals will not make him worse than his word.

Aug. 10. The Downs. 42. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Plumleigh went to the westward on Saturday last. He was before at sea, and made stay of a French ship. Sir Henry found him in the Downs, magnifico like, when he returned from Dieppe, where he landed the Duke of Lennox on Friday last. Could find no colour for his bringing the ship out of her way, and therefore discharged her. The gentleman loves to make a noise of nothing. He has Captains that know neither how to command nor how to obey. Intreats him, if he loves the honour of the service, to solicit that their ships may be victualled at Portsmouth for so long time as it is intended they shall stay forth.

Aug. 10. 43. Inventory by William Drake of tenths taken out of the Fortune, of Hamburgh, and the Joseph, both brought into Bristol.

Aug. 11. 44. John Evelyn to Sec. Coke. Forbore to acquaint him with Mr. Savill's sickness, hoping some amendment, and is not yet out of hope. Probably it is nothing but a new grief with which most houses in their neighbourhood are visited. In his own house has had seven of his ablest men ill at one time.

Aug. 12. Lynn. 45. Capt. Thomas March to the Council. On Monday last off Flamborough Head met with six Dunkirk men-of-war. They have with them a Holland wafter, which they took, and that morning they took and sunk many English ships in view of the people of Flamborough. Wishes intimation were given to the men-of-war before Dunkirk, and ships sent to the northward, the fishermen being now expected home, and most of the coal fleet of the Tyne in that river.

Aug. 12. [South] Hampton. 46. Andrew Pitcairn, Master Falconer to the King, to Lord President Conway. When Captain Penn gets his despatch the King wishes Lord Conway to insert words for some Barbary falcons. Capt. Penn brought him a cast for trial, promising more if his Majesty liked them.

Aug. 12. Beaulieu. 47. Henry Earl of Holland to Attorney General Heath. The King is pleased to pardon Wm. Morgan the younger, Thomas Hall, Thomas Rowe, James Wenling, and Joshua Satterly, convicted at Southampton for piracy, in breaking into a ship. Prays him to prepare a bill accordingly.

Aug. 12/22. The Hague. 48. Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia, to Sir Thomas Roe. Sees by his letters that he stands in one state. Wishes with all her heart it were otherwise. "Our Ambassador" is now there, and has brought a

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message she looked not for, and which not a little troubles both the King and herself. Roe knows that she was very confident in her brother's promises, and though he has altered his mind in that, she hopes his good nature will not suffer him quite to abandon them, though a peace with Spain be very dangerous to them and all the public. The King of Sweden still prospers, which she hopes God will continue.

Aug. 12. Tiningham. 49. Thomas Earl of Haddington to James Earl of Carlisle. Thanks for a letter in which the Earl addressed had urged the writer to bend his full endeavour to further the King's designs for applying the benefit of his fisheries to the commodity of his subjects and strength of his monarchy. In the late convention the writer exhibited his zeal to advance that project in a way which should be an answer to malicious reports. Since the death of the late King never presumed to beg any recompense from the heir of his blood, crown, and virtues. Sends this letter by Lord Traquair.

Aug. 12. Ragley. 50. Foulke Reed to William Weld. Explains the increase of expence in repairs of the lodge, and other items in recent accounts of Lord Conway's rents.

Aug. 13. 51. Petition of Captain David Scott, Henry Carleton, and Thos. Jeffreys, his lieutenant and ensign, to the Council of War. The Commissioners for payment of the Army allowed the petitioners for their imprisonment and losses in France, 394 days' entertainment, which came to 268*l.* 13*s.*; 78*l.* of this sum remains unpaid. Pray for a warrant to Capt. Mason to pay the same out of the first moneys he shall receive.

Aug. 13. 52. Edward Lord Conway to William Weld. Has let Mr. Spencer know he was too choleric, but would not write to his father save on very good ground. Begs Weld to put his father in mind concerning the legend desired by the Lord Primate. Thanks for verses sent him. Hopes the lines are strong enough to bind Robin Maule and Jack Crofts from ever more using the phrase. Sends a cast of merlins, and will not tie him to so strict conditions as Sir William Brownlow did the writer when he gave him a goshawk, and desired him to accept her as if she were better. Sends 40*s.* and prays him to present Mr. Weckherlin with a pair of silk stockings, and to send the writer a beaver hat and a band of gold and silver.

Aug. 13. Basings in Peckham. 53. Sir Thos. Gardyner to Sec. Dorchester. Has received a letter written by his son to the Sec., in which are declared some passages of business in those parts of the world, but the writer will shew him of wonderful things which are like to come to pass before the year 1666, when the beast of prophetical Scriptures, whom he interprets to mean the Eagle with three heads, namely, France, Spain, and the Emperor, is to be no more. The particulars of these things which God had given him he was about to present to the King in a book which he had in hand, but could not finish by reason of his employment for his Majesty's and the Queen's fruits.

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Aug. 13. Isle of Wight. 54. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Had orders from Sir Henry Mervyn to go for the westward, and take with him the ketch and the Tenth Whelp, but they are not ready, so that he must along alone. Has put in there to take in some water to drink, for all their beer stinks, and he hears nothing from Alcock. His men are all in an uproar, but he feeds them with fair words till he can get to Plymouth, where, if he finds no order for beer, he shall be sure of a plain mutiny.

Aug. 13. Bristol. 55. William Willett to the same. Has given his letter to Sir Thomas Button, to the purser of the Fifth Whelp, which is still in that river staying for a wind. The part victualling of the King's ships there and in Ireland hinders the service. Mr. Drake, according to the Lords' order, had sold the writer the sugars. Most of them are very coarse, and must to his city. They will not vent at Bristol. A cask of two cwt. will be sent him from the Three Cups in Bread Street, which Mr. Drake and himself present to Mrs. Nicholas. No good news from sea; not a prize these three months. Shall be glad to receive an order for sale of the St. John. The ship spoileth and so doth the aquavitæ.

Aug. 13. 56. Note by Nicholas of the state of the provisions of victuals for all the ships in service at sea.

Aug. 14. 57. Petition of Barnard Babb and John Tutchin to the Lords of the Admiralty. Their bark, wherewith they used to carry coal from Wales into Devonshire, and which was the sole support of themselves and their families, had been captured by a Biscayner, and afterwards recaptured by a King's ship, and brought into Bristol. Pray for its restoration. *Annexed,*

57. I. *Certificate of Justices of Peace and others to the Lords of the Admiralty. In verification of the statements in the foregoing petition and support of its prayer.*

Aug. 14. 58. Several affidavits of John Tutchin and Barnard Babb made in the Court of Admiralty, in verification of the facts stated in the preceding petition, and as to the ownership of their bark, the Truelove, of Seaton.

Aug. 14. 59. Abstract of the evidence respecting the ownership of the St. Anthony, a Brazil ship laden with tobacco and sugars, a prize in contest in the Court of Admiralty.

Aug. 14. Ragley. 60. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Sends Edward Hughes to serve Lord Conway as a falconer, and with him a sparhawk that has killed three or four brace of partridges. Reports as to the best place for a pool for fowl. Intends to send for Sir Robert Harley's man to come over and construct it.

Aug. 14. 61. John Moorcock to Nicholas. Prays that the cook in the Triumph may not be allowed to sell his place, or appoint a deputy before the writer has the refusal of it.

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Aug. 14. 62. Return to an inquisition in which are set out various lands at Brill, Borstall, and Oakley, co. Bucks, in the occupation of John Dynham. [*Copy, imperfect.*]

Aug. 15. Beaulieu. 63. The King to the East India Company. William Earl of Denbigh has an earnest desire to travel into Asia, into the Great Mogul's country, and also into Persia. His intended journey would be too tedious and dangerous overland; they are therefore required to give orders that he and his followers be received for his passage into the said countries into such one of their ships as he shall make choice of, and that the great cabin be allowed for himself and his train, consisting, at the most, of six persons. [*Draft.*]

[Aug. 15.] 64. Draft suggestion for the preceding, or some other document, in connection with the same subject.

Aug. 15. St. James's. 65. Capt. Wm. Skipwith to Sec. Dorchester. Gives him notice of his wife's employment "in this honourable service," and solicits his directions for his and his wife's carriage therein.

Aug. 15. Holyrood. 66. George Viscount Duplin, Lord Chancellor of Scotland, to the same. Having the commodity of the Lord Traquair, he sends the Sec. his thanks for his continual demonstrations of love and respect, and assures him that if it were in his power to do otherwise, he would not die so deeply indebted to any as he is to Dorchester.

Aug. 15. 67. Dr. James Chambers to the same. Arrangements in the nursery of the young Prince, on one of his nurses being seized with ague and threatened jaundice. He thrives well. He has neither sucked nor wakened but once all that night, and is yet asleep. His favour and complexion amend daily. Agues are sharp and frequent. The Lady Governess has had two smarting fits. She has rested well the last night, and is now in good temper. He attends Dr. Mayerne's coming (who was married yesterday), to consult for her relief.

Aug. 15. 68. Notes by Bishop Laud, indorsed by him, "My intentions for "charity, so soon as God shall make me able." They comprise intended alterations in the chapel and other buildings of St. John's, Oxford, and the foundation of a hospital at Reading, "in the house "where I was born."

Aug. 15. 69. Patrick Maule to Sir Richard Graham. Thanks for an unexpected letter. The writer's stay at the place whence he writes is uncertain. Remembrances to Sir Richard's wife, Mrs. Ashburnham, and Mrs. Waldron.

Aug. 15. 70. Will of Mildred Reade, of Linkenholt, co. Hants, widow. She bequeaths money directed by her late husband to be paid to her out of the produce of the sale of the manor of Linkenholt. She gives legacies to her husband's son, Andrew Reade, and his daughter Mary Hanwell, widow, and her children; her own daughter, Alice, wife of Thomas Farwell; her daughter-in-law, Anne Reade; her

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sons, William, Thomas, Robert, George, and Francis Reade; her nephew, Thomas Mayhew, the younger; her brother, Francis Windebank; her brother-in-law, Henry Reade; her friend, Nicholas Blake; her daughter-in-law, Mary Hanwell, with Andrew and Gerard Hanwell, her sons, and Anne Reade, her sister. [*Copy.*]

Aug. 15. 71. Certificate of Peter Hannay, bailiff of Bedlington, that, finding eleven Hollanders in the street of that place, armed with muskets, and pursuing a Dunkirker, he procured assistance, and took them into custody.

Aug. 16. Tottenham. 72. Sec. Coke to Sec. Dorchester. For the great business of the Irish plantation of the Londoners, Sir Thomas Phillips sent him such a load of writings, that the perusal has spent all his time till now. But if he and the rest will peruse his collections, they shall find them well worth the labour. The Londoners are powerful, and have many advantages; the business is also very intricate, but he hopes the King and they will see that he has not spared endeavour to make it plain, that if his Majesty may have right, which without strong resolution will hardly be obtained, he may break the confidence of the times that have encroached upon him, and increase his royalties and revenue. Is thoroughly tired with this work, and the sickness of his son is some distraction to him; is, therefore, glad to have his Majesty's leave to see his house in Derbyshire, and take some fresh air.

Aug. 16. Hatfield. 73. William Earl of Salisbury to the same. Apologises for not before returning thanks for the speedy dispatch of his late favour received from the King. By Dorchester's letter to Lord Doncaster, perceives that in this time of progress he can write to his friends. Intreats that when ordinary occurrents come to his knowledge, which are fit for the Earl to know, he will make one of his secs. send the same to Salisbury House, indorsed to the Earl. Will not fail to make Lord Denny partaker. The Earl's daughter is a mother of "a female animal," and the Earl a grandfather.

Aug. 16. Tottenham. 74. Sec. Coke to Nicholas. Sends a warrant signed. Takes his journey towards Derbyshire to-morrow morning. Wishes him to let the Lord Treasurer know that he has been delayed by the business of the Irish plantations, and that he shall return within a month, or sooner, if necessary.

Aug. 16. The Court at Tichfield. 75. James Earl of Carlisle to Attorney General Heath. It is the King's pleasure that he should prepare a protection for the bearer, Richard Glover, of London, merchant.

Aug. 17. Westminster. 76. F. [?] Nicolls to Sec. Dorchester. Lord Dorset having desired that the writer should once a day wait on his Lady for letters to the Court, touching the health of the Prince, he waited on her yesterday, but understood by Lady Killigrew that the Countess being indisposed, had prayed Dr. Chambers to write. To-day her indisposition continues, but she wrote the inclosed. The bearer is newly

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returned from Sir John Peyton, with purpose, before he embarks for Jersey, to wait on the Sec. The keeper of the privy lodgings at Whitehall wishes the King to know that his weasel has been sick this fortnight of a lameness in his hinder feet, of which he is afraid it will die.

Aug. 17. Nicholas to Capt. Thomas March. On the 14th inst. order was sent to Sir Henry Mervyn to ply with his fleet to the northward, on advertisement that there were fourteen Dunkirkers gone that way. Copy of March's letter of the 12th inst. has been sent to him, with orders to make great haste. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 86.]

Aug. 17. Southampton. 77. John Ellzey to Nicholas. Expected Nicholas there, and to take a hard lodging with him, when the King was in the New Forest; but he had been there four nights. Sends account of tenths received out of the Phœnix, of Homflett [Honfleur ?], taken by Capt. Chantre. Wishes order for the sale of these tenths, and those of Capt. Scras's prizes.

Aug. 17. Leith. 78. Colin Earl of Seaforth to James Earl of Carlisle. Commends his care for the welfare of Scotland, as exhibited in his recommendation to his noble friends to go forwards in the association with the English in the enterprise of fishing. The Lord Chancellor and the Earl of Morton left no argument unuttered, which might induce their countrymen, and especially the burghs, to concur therein. Disinclination of the burghs to admit any association either of countrymen or strangers. They like not that noblemen or gentry should understand matters of industry. They will do what they can to move the King to delay. If he will look to the good of his kingdoms, or his particular profit, he will presently establish a burgh as he intended in Lewis.

Aug. 18. Ragley. 79. Foulke Reed to Lord President Conway. Philip Clough comes up about the park pales. Edward Hughes is gone towards Lord Conway with a spar-hawk. A brickmaker has found good clay at Luddington. A brick or two shall be sent to his Lordship. Desires to know what quantity of land is to be drowned for the fish pond.

Aug. 18. 80. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a grant to Mrs. Cicely Crofts, one of the Maids of Honour, of a pension of 300*l.* upon a surrender of the same by Frances Lady Burr, as also of a pension of 150*l.* upon surrender of the same by Sir Edward Salter.

Aug. 19. 81. Names of such as attend on the Prince of Wales at St. James's who are to have lodging and diet of the Earl of Dorset. No one is to presume to lodge or diet there but only such as belong to the Lady Dorset, and no other persons, as husbands, friends, or servants of those who are here specified, are to come on visits until the King's pleasure be known. The list includes "Sir John Tunstall and his "two men; Dr. Chambers and his man; eight rockers and their "eight maids."

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[Aug. 20 ?] Lymington. Friday, at noon. 82. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. A thousand thanks for his noble usage, and the liberty of his lodging at the Court, whence he got thither without much pain, but has since suffered from various hurts, the anguish of which has pulled a fever upon him. If he can, will be carried to-morrow to Mons. de Soubise's. Pained that he could not receive the King's commands.

Aug. 20. Aboard the Seventh Whelp at Dover. 83. Captain Dawtry Cooper to Nicholas. Incloses a journal of his movements. Being at Dover, in the absence of Sir Henry Mervyn he received an order for convoying Mons. de Guilly and Mons. Ramus, to Calais, which he had obeyed. Mr. Rookes, the searcher of Dover, gave information that certain plate had been put on board which was none of the Ambassador's, but it turned out to be pewter in plate fashion belonging to a French picture drawer whom the Ambassador acknowledged to be one of his retinue.

Aug. 21. Lymington. 84. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. Sends a dish of ralles [rails], hoping they will be worth the eating and presenting to his Majesty. The remedies received by his Majesty's favour and means have given him so much ease that he feels no pain, but only a weakness in his limbs, so that he hopes he shall be able to return home by easy journies.

Aug. 22. Battersea. 85. Oliver Viscount Grandison to the same. Has returned to his house, but so spent and wearied that he must rest his body and consult his physician. Prays Dorchester to excuse him to his Majesty for not waiting upon him.

Aug. 22. Duchy House. 86. Henry Viscount Falkland to the same. At the sending over of two of his servants into Ireland about his Star Chamber cause, his Majesty granted them his protection to prevent foul play. Being now to employ Bartholomew Piesly and Philip Fernely thither again with a commission for the examination of witnesses about that matter, desires him to move his Majesty to extend to them the same favour. Pledges himself that this is desired only to prevent any interruption that may be given them to prejudice his proceedings.

[Aug. 22 ?] Dernetown. [Dirleton ?] 87. Sir William Alexander to the same. Received his packet at Newcastle, making mention of one directed to the writer which had not come to his hands. The news made him sorry, not only as conjecturing what effects such a loss may produce, but compassionating so great a prince's extreme and unexpected miseries. The estates of Scotland assembling in as great a number as usual yielded all that was demanded by his Majesty, either for his own supplies or for the public good. Never subjects parted better pleased with a prince. God grant the like in all his kingdoms. Advanced thus far on his return to Court.

Aug. 22. Putney. 88. Philip Burlamachi to the same. The advance of the King of Sweden alarms the Imperialists. His narrow escape of capture on going with a small party to visit a ford where with difficulty he

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avoided an ambush. Reminds the Sec. of two privy seals sent him last week. Out of Holland he only hears of the dispute between the English merchants and the Dutch about the taring of cloth. Fr.

Aug. 23. Beaulieu. 89. Sec. Dorchester to Attorney General Heath. On the decease of the late Earl of Pembroke, two places of command became vacant in that country; the Captainship of Portsmouth and the Constableship of Porchester, with the Lieutenancy of the forest of Southbere. The first having been given to Viscount Wimbledon, the King is pleased to bestow the latter on Sir William Uvedale, Treasurer of his Majesty's chamber, during pleasure. Lord Wimbledon uses authority in Porchester as if it were passed to him in his grant, but his Majesty having called for the docquet thereof finds no mention therein of Porchester. It was ever the King's purpose to sever these commands, the Attorney General is to prepare a grant to Sir William Uvedale accordingly. [*Draft.*]

Aug. 24. Tichfield. 90. Sir Henry Mervyn to Sec. Dorchester. Her Majesty having commanded him to wait on her that morning on board, he cannot attend the Sec. Requests him to send a warrant to Biggs, the storekeeper at Portsmouth, for delivery to Sir Henry of two lasts of powder for supply of his fleet, with ordnance for the Niver sloop, and 100 saker shot.

Aug. 24. Beaulieu. 91. The King to [Abraham?] Biggs. Warrant to deliver to Sir Henry Mervyn the powder and ordnance above mentioned. [*Draft.*]

Aug. 24. Billesley. 92. Sir Robert Lee to Lord President Conway. Explains the particulars of some disrespect alleged to have been offered to Rice and Franklin, two of Lord Conway's servants, by the bailiff of Alcester. It arose out of an assault made upon Rice, when returning from Bromsgrove fair by Field, a farrier. The constable interfered, and in assisting him two persons were hurt by Rice and Franklin, who were thereupon bound over to appear at the Assizes. Death of Sir Richard Verney, chief person in the commission for compounding with those who did not appear at the coronation. It is advisable to send down a new commission with other persons added to the surviving commissioners.

Aug. 24. Convertive, in Plymouth Sound. 93. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Against wind and tide got to Plymouth on Friday last, and has landed his stinking provisions. Intends to bestow three weeks about the Land's End to secure the Newfoundland ships, which are daily expected. On coming back will touch at Plymouth for further orders. If eight more ships were sent out the plaister would not do more than cover the wound, for 25 Dunkirkers are daily looked for to come out.

Aug. 24. 94. Account of payments ordered to be made out of anticipated receipts of Revenue. Total 305,278*l.* 9*s.* 8½*d.*

Aug. 24. Beaulieu. 95. [Sec. Dorchester] to Sir James Cambell, Lord Mayor of London. Reminds him of the arrangement made with the King, respecting his

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being accompanied on his visitation of the river Thames by certain Royal Commissioners (stated nearly in the terms of Lord Wimbledon's letter of the 6th inst., *see No.* 25.) His Majesty has been informed that the visitation was made as usual by under-officers, and that the only notice of the Commissioners was that Lord Falkland, one of them, was with the Lord Mayor at dinner, when he impanelled the jury. His Majesty has commanded the Sec. to let the Lord Mayor know, that the Commissioners were not appointed to be feasted, but to see that service effected the neglect whereof his Majesty takes very ill.

Aug. 25. Tichfield. 96. James Earl of Carlisle to Sec. Dorchester. Regrets that they are forced to receive a letter from him instead of having the pleasure of his company; but they must prefer his more serious affairs to their desires. Knows not with what face they can be troublesome to his niece in the absence of her husband; but his commands must excuse them. Will not fail to present his love and respects to the Lord Northumberland.

Aug. 25. 97. Certificate of Capt. Francis Sydenham and others of sufficiency of Robert Tray as a gunner.

Aug. 26. 98. Bre. [?] Lady Underhill to Sec. Dorchester. Regrets the inability of her knight, her sister, and herself waiting upon him at Brightwell, on account of being disappointed of the coach she trusted to. Her sister will no more come so far out of the way that she cannot hear from all her friends, for nothing else will give her content. She wishes to see Dorchester and Brightwell, because both places receive their honour from him, which she may do at her return in her journey to London. The writer will accompany her in order to present her respects to the Sec. and his lady. Thanks for warrants for venison.

Aug. 26. Blountesdon. [Blunsdon.] 99. Richard Lord Lovelace to Francis Windebank. Since the writer came from his house at Hurley, Sir Edward Clarke, of Ardington, sent him a commission addressed to Sir Edmund Sawyer, Sir Edward Clarke, Windebank, and himself, to compound for knighthood not taken up at the coronation. Requests him to attend on the business at the New Inn, Abingdon, on the 6th September.

Aug. 27. London. 100. Sir John Watts to Sec. Dorchester. Delivered the letter from the King to the Governor at the East India House, who received it with all due respect. It will be answered at the next court day.

Aug. 27. St. James's. 101. Dr. James Chambers to the same. Mr. Windham returning to Court the writer sends a report of the health of the Prince. His last nurse, Mrs. Skipwith, is now well. The Prince's favour, likelihood, strength, mirth, and night's rest increase daily. The Lady Governess is most careful and diligent; Madame Vantelet is well recovered. The writer's wife regrets that she had not the honour to welcome the Sec. to her country house.

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Aug. 28. 102. [Lord President Conway] to Robert Greville. His tenant Clough has been with him about a wrong done by a keeper of the person addressed, and has requested Lord Conway's permission to seek a remedy by law. He refused until he had acquainted the person addressed therewith, and received from him or Lord Brooke such satisfaction as he is assured they will give. Wonders at his having advised Clough to seek satisfaction by calling out the keeper. Has intreated his cousin Reed to shew him the informations Lord Conway had from Clough. [*Draft.*]

Aug. 28. 103. Statement by Robert Brandling, imputing misconduct to Francis Reade, Under-sheriff of Northumberland, for, amongst other things, distraining Mr. Brandling's horses for a fine leviable upon the whole county.

Aug. 28. 104. Note of money paid by Samuel Houghton, in Lord Conway's service, "the woman that nurses a child of Sir John Trevor's, 2*s.* 6*d.*; "tobacco pipes, 1*s.*; an old woman a Sunday morning, 1*s.*"

Aug. 29. Convertive, in the Downs, ready to sail westward. 105. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. The winds being contrary for the westward he had wafted into the Downs the London, an Indiaman, of 1,000 tons, from Bantam. Fourteen sail of Dunkirkers "gotten out." Twelve Biscayners lie at the mouth of the Channel to intercept the poor people ready to come in from Newfoundland. The Lords should command some other ships down, or revictual the Convertive for six weeks longer, by which time the Newfoundland ships will all be at home.

Aug. 29. Convertive, in the Downs. 106. The same to Nicholas. Recapitulates the information in the preceding letter. Hardship to himself of his ship's being called in, and the Garland sent out in her room.

Aug. 29. Aboard the Tenth Whelp, in Portsmouth Harbour. 107. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to the same. Has sold the butter out of the French prize to Mr. Holt, for 20*s.* a firkin, which came to 30*l.* Incloses an inventory of the provisions of the Biscayner, which will show with whom he left her. If he proceeds in the Spanish voyage, at his return shall be able to give Nicholas thanks. Is ordered by Sir Henry Mervyn to Plymouth to find out Capt. Plumleigh. *Incloses,*

107. I. *Inventory of sails and other provisions delivered to Mr. Holt out of a Biscayner taken by Capt. Gibbon.*

Aug. 30. Bristol. 108. Sir John Jephson to Sec. Dorchester. Is by Sir Charles Coote intreated to be a suitor, that, as his mother and he are fully agreed concerning his wife's passing a fine, the Sec. will hinder any further bar that may be added by his Majesty. Sir Charles's mother has intreated his company over with them, and desires rather to reduce him by way of persuasion than by any further compulsory way.

Aug. 31. Westminster. 109. Warrant to pay to Sir James Bagg 26,491*l.* 0*s.* 3¾*d*, balance due to him on his account for money expended for the King's service. The whole expenditure was 51,609*l.* 11*s.* 4¾*d.*; the receipt on account, 25,118*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.* [*Copy.*]

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Aug. 31. Southampton. 110. Arnold Ellzey to Nicholas. Since Nicholas gave the writer's father order for selling the Spanish wools, a claim has been preferred to the whole on account of Mr. Delabarre and Mr. Kypp, of London, in behalf of a Frenchman in Rouen. His father, who is lame in his arm and unable to write, demurs to sell any more, and requests further directions.

[Aug. ?] 111. Philip Burlamachi to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for a letter of the 9th inst. respecting Nys. Protests that if it were not for the writer's respect for the honour of his Majesty, he would run the risk of ruining Nys, even although the writer lost all that he was out of pocket. Has solicited the Lord Treasurer for him, but ready money there is none. The Lord Treasurer wishes the Sec. to solicit the King as to what instructions he would give Burlamachi respecting his demanding the remainder of the dower, and that the Sec. would inform him what were the objections which the French made when the amount was formerly demanded. Fr.

[Aug. ?] 112. Notes of grants of the custody of Portsmouth and Porchester, extracted with a view of shewing from previous usage and the nature of the grant to Viscount Wimbledon, that the Captaincy of Portsmouth and the Constableship of Porchester had both been passed to him.

[Aug. ?] 113. Another series of notes on the same subject.

[Aug. ?] 114. Note of benefices which will fall into his Majesty's gift if either Dr. Balcanqual, Master of the Savoy, Dr. Donne, Dean of St. Paul's, or Dr. Piers, Dean of Peterborough, be promoted to a bishopric.

[Aug. ?] 115. Verdict of a coroner's inquest held on 15 May 1628, on the body of Thomas Alcock of the city of Canterbury, killed by John Boys, by a blow on the head with a fire-pan. [*Copy.*] *Annexed,*

115. I. *Indictment found at the Sessions at Canterbury against John Boys for the manslaughter of the same Thomas Alcock.* [*Copy. It appears from a memorandum written under the former of these papers that they were forwarded from Canterbury at this time with a view to the pardon of John Boys, the fact being manslaughter committed before the birth of the Prince.*]

[Aug. ?] 116. Brief in the cause of the King against the ship, the St. John of Viana, captured by George Pentecost in the Expectation, under letters of marque granted by the late Duke of Buckingham, for a period which had expired.

[Aug. ?] 117. Petition of Capt Robert Smith to the Council of War. Prays for assistance to furnish himself forth for employments now in agitation.

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Sept. 1. Langley.

1. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. Dorchester's secretary Nicolls had reminded Conway of the business of Jersey, and furnished him with the return made by him and Sir William Bird. The death of his daughter Smith had so disordered him that he had not been fit to do business. Prays him to beg pardon for him of the King, if he observed any lack of duty.

Sept. 1. Audley End.

2. Theophilus Earl of Suffolk to the same. There is stayed at Dover, John Good, a gentleman who had a pass from the Council Board to travel for three years. He went over three months since, and now on his return refuses the oath of allegiance. Prays directions. Letters found about him to Mons. de Fountaine, the French Ambassador, which have been sent to him. John Langton and William Pitt, who pretend to be merchants, and Edward Barton who subscribed his mark but is a ready scholar, are stayed for the same cause.

Sept. 3. Reformation in Stokes Bay.

3. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Holland men-of-war have been ranging to and again to the northwards after those Dunkirkers which were on that coast, so as those parts are by that means cleared. Is promised the remainder of his victuals on the morrow. Has stayed full 15 days to take in 14 days' victuals. Till some better course be taken they can expect no service to be done of any consequence. Suggested change of the Swiftsure for the Reformation. The supply of powder obtained at Portsmouth was that taken out of the mine ships from Rochelle. Usefulness of the St. Claude.

Sept. 3. Windsor.

4. [Sec. Dorchester] to Sir John Jephson. Settlement of Sir John's business with Sir Charles Coote. The impediment in the way of Lady Jephson's passing a fine shall be removed. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 3. Rotherfield.

5. Sir Richard Norton to Sec. Dorchester. The petition of Henry Elvens, Thomas Milles, and William Honey, prisoners in Winchester gaol for killing a stag near the confines of Woolmer Forest, having been referred to Sir Francis Clark and himself, he had examined the matter (Sir Francis being sick), and found that the stag was killed merely by accident. Prays the release of the prisoners. *Annexed,*

5. I. *Certificate of Sir Richard Norton, Ranger of Woolmer Forest, to the same effect as the preceding letter. Underwritten is a minute by Weckherlin that an order for the freedom of the three petitioners was dispatched from Windsor on the fourth inst.*

Sept. 4. Stokes Bay.

6. Sir Henry Mervyn to Nicholas. Has lain there 15 days for 14 days' victuals. To-morrow morning purposes to put to sea, with it or without it, for four men-of-war, and a sloop of the enemy hunt and chase all ships that pass. They have beaten a Holland man-of-war, and taken from him three hoys of his convoy, worth

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twenty or thirty thousand pounds. Will keep the sea until his victuals be ended, and if no more come, carry his ship into harbour. Vows to God he is ashamed of so much neglect. Admits, in answer to a question from Nicholas, that he has had conference with Sir Kenelm Digby, about parting with his place, on condition to get in his arrears of 10,000*l.* from his Majesty; or 5,000*l.* of his arrears and 3,000*l.* for his place, which was the sum it cost him, but this was never in the way of serious treaty. Lord Dorset had written to him on the subject.

Sept. 4. 7. Exchequer account of Receipts and Issues from 13 August last to this day. Among the payments are mentioned:—Gatehouse, 100*l.*; Robert Lesley, 100*l.*; Scandiver, 200*l.*; Lady Verney, 50*l.*; Sir James Bagg, 1,022*l.* The receipts had been 5,539*l.* the payments 6,381*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* The remain was 1,255*l.* 15*s.* 0½*d.*

Sept. 7. Bristol. 8. William Willett to Nicholas. Reports sale of a prize ship [the St. John of Dunkirk] and goods, which produced 1,000*l.* Wishes for an order to take thereout the money disbursed. There belongs to the captain of every man-of-war the best piece of ordnance taken in the prize, the best cable and anchor to the master, and to some others, sails. Requests order for their delivery.

Sept. 8. 9. Estimate for the Garland, Mary Rose, the Adventure, St. Claude, and two Whelps, with 640 men, to serve in the room of the ships now at sea, till the end of March next. Total, 11,132*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*

Sept. 9. Wanstead. 10. The King to Attorney General Heath or Solicitor General Sheldon. Warrant to prepare a pardon for Wm. Sneade for killing Edward Worthington about 19 years past.

Sept. 9. Whitehall. 11. Order of Council. The Attorney General is to draw a proclamation renewing the former proclamation for repressing beggars and vagabonds, the execution of which had been intermitted chiefly by reason of harvest.

Sept. 9. 12. Petition of Israel Reynolds, first sea servant to his Majesty, and now boatswain of the Rainbow, to the Lords of the Admiralty. After service for "four seven years," prays for the place of boatswain in the Prince Royal.

Sept. 9. 13. Sir James Cambell, Lord Mayor of London, to Sec. Dorchester. Should be sorry to have failed in the least tittle of his duty to his Majesty respecting the view of the river. They have a double going yearly. The first was according to the custom for impanelling a jury and charging them to a strict inquiry. On receipt of their presentment they intend to meet a second day to view the river and see that the defaults presented be reformed. That meeting is appointed at Staines on the 22nd inst.

Sept. 9. Winton College. 14. Edward Stanley to the same. It has pleased God to take away the Warden. The writer is a humble suitor for the King's letter to New College to choose him Warden. The Bishop of London is forward to do the writer good.

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Sept. 9. Mincing Lane. 15. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. Recounts the long services of Israel Reynolds, and recommends him for boatswain in the Prince Royal, in case Boatswain Adams die.

Sept. 10. Wanstead. 16. The King to Bishop Davenant of Salisbury. Understands by the petition of Andrew Bird, schoolmaster of the Free School of Reading, that the inhabitants of that borough have long enjoyed one free school, without any molestation of any other attempting to teach grammar in that town, but such only as have been tolerated to initiate children for the public school. Yet of late there has been a licence granted by his Chancellor to one to teach grammar there, which tends to the prejudice of the borough and school. It is the King's pleasure that he cause that licence to be revoked. [*Draft.*]

Sept. 10. St. Cross. 17. Dr. William Lewis to Sec. Dorchester. The Warden of Winchester is now dead. He took his sickness in overheating himself. Prays for his Majesty's letters to the College on behalf of Mr. Robinson, whom the Sec. heard preach at Beaulieu. He was King James's chaplain, and was sworn chaplain to the present King at Beaulieu. He was schoolmaster at St. Cross for 14 years. Notwithstanding the great name of St. Cross, the writer's income is not 300*l.* per annum. There are fallen in the Bishop of Winchester's gift a prebend and two livings that lie conveniently for the writer. Begs the King to write to the Bishop to bestow one of the livings on him.

Sept. 10. 18. Sir Thomas Aylesbury to Nicholas. Recommends Nicholas Aunsty for a gunner in the Repulse.

Sept. 10. New College, Oxford. 19. Edward Stanley to Francis Windebank. Moved the Bishop of Winchester to write to Mr. Moore, who is a leader in New College, that he would be for the writer in any suit. He thought it not fit to write, but bid the writer tell Moore to second whatsoever the Bishop of London should desire. Requests Windebank to write to Moore to the same purpose, "as from my Lord," also to Mr. Terry to the same purpose, and to Windebank's kinsman, Reade, that so he may answer his friends who press him for Dr. Robinson.

Sept. 11. Aboard the Constant, in Dover Road. 20. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. On the 4th sailed from Portsmouth and has not since let fall an anchor, but beat it to windward night and day, ranging thwart the Channel from coast to coast. Gives particulars of the result. Chase of a Dunkirker who got off upon the back side of the rocks to the eastward of the Wight, where they durst not follow him. Also, of 14 sail of Dunkirkers and their prizes, which set sail from under Beachy, and were lost in the dark. Suggests fit ships to go for Spain and others to remain in the Narrow Seas.

Sept. 11. Dover Road, under sail. 21. The same to Nicholas. Purposes to be in the Downs about Thursday next at farthest, where he would gladly hear how he should be disposed of. The seas begin to swarm with Dunkirkers. While his victuals last will keep the sea until he has met with some of them or made them seek another haunt.

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Sept. 12. Theobalds. 22. The King to the Warden and Fellows of St. Mary's in Oxford, commonly called New College. Recommends to them Edward Stanley, schoolmaster of St. Mary's College near Winchester, and one of the King's chaplains, for Warden of that College. [*Altered from a copy of a similar letter from King James on behalf of Nicholas Lene, dated* 14 *October* 1616.]

Sept. 12. Aboard the Seventh Whelp, in the Downs. 23. Capt. Dawtry Cooper to Nicholas. Sends a journal of his proceedings since the 20th August. Complains of resistance offered by Mr. Mellow, of Ratcliffe, master of the Prudence of London, to the impressment of some of his men, of whom the writer had need.

Sept. 13. Theobalds. 24. The King to Bishop Neile of Winchester. Recommends William Lewis, D.D., one of his Majesty's Chaplains in ordinary, and Master of the Hospital of St. Cross, to be preferred to one of the livings lately fallen void in the Bishop's gift not far from that hospital. [*Draft.*]

Sept. 13. 25. Justices of Middlesex to the Council. Suggestions on printed orders sent to them for regulation of the price of provisions. Dare not advise them to fix the prices of corn and victual, but that such as buy to sell again should be proceeded against as engrossers at the common law.

[Sept. $\frac{13}{23}$?] Paris. 26. James Duke of Lennox to Sec. Dorchester. Commends to his favour whatever business the writer's mother may chance to have at Court. Asks his advice as to writing to his Majesty, whether he should write often or only on particular occasion. Would have followed his advice in going to Ratisbon, but for the sudden alteration in Germany.

Sept. 13. 27. George Tayler, purser of the Assurance, to Nicholas. Had assigned his place over to the bearer John Hart. Requests Nicholas to assist him to procure a warrant for the same.

Sept. 14. Audley End. 28. Theophilus Earl of Suffolk to Sec. Dorchester. Incloses a petition and pass sent to him. Has been pressed to take bond for the petitioner's appearance at the Council board, yet because of his refusal of the oath of allegiance has forborne.

Sept. 14. 29. Sir John Carleton to the same (his uncle). The Commissioners of Sewers have agreed with Sir Cornelius Vermuyden for the draining of the fens. The King for his favour is to have 30,000 acres. If Lord Dorchester would speak, he could not miss to have thereout 3,000 acres. If he does not get a grant of the King immediately, he will be prevented by others.

Sept. 15. Maidstone. 30. Commissioners for co. Kent for composition for fines of knighthood to Lord Treasurer Weston. Have begun with Maidstone, that their good example might be a precedent and leading case to other parts of the shire. The hundreds adjoining the town are very inclinable, tractable, and forward. For Maidstone itself, various excuses are put in; that they are the King's servants, that

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they dwell in the Cinque Ports, that they are not seized of 40*l.* per annum, or that they had so much then, but are decayed since. Send the names of the most backward, with their answers, and beg to know whether these answers be allowable.

Sept. 16. 31. Note of Order of the King in Council for a privy seal to call home Marmaduke Darrell and his tutor, within six months, notwithstanding a former pass licensing them to travel into foreign parts for three years.

Sept. 16. 32. Report of Sir Thomas Aylesbury, Phineas Pett, and others, Commissioners appointed to consider how the King's ships might be best kept and moored at Chatham, and also to view the harbour of Portsmouth, and resolve upon the best place for a constant harbour there, and also to consider what ships were fittest to be kept in readiness for service; addressed to the Lords of the Admiralty. Return particulars of berths proposed by them for the King's ships at Chatham and Portsmouth, the situation chosen at the latter place being that branch of Portsmouth water that goes up to Fareham, as most convenient for depth of water and safety from storms and surprise of enemies. They also report on the number of ships proper to be kept at Chatham and Portsmouth, which are the ships fittest to be kept ready for service, and what are their wants in cordage and rigging. *Inclose,*

32. I. *The King to Sir Thomas Aylesbury, Surveyor of the Navy; Sir William Russell, Treasurer; Sir Guilford Slingsby, Comptroller; and Dionesse* [*Dennis*] *Fleming, Clerk; William Burrell, Thomas Best, and Phineas Pett, Esquires; William Cooke, Peter White, Thomas Austen, and John Goodwin, four masters of ships, and Robert Salmon, Walter Cooke, and Anthony Tutchin, three masters of the Trinity House. The Commission above mentioned. Canbury,* 1630, *Aug.* 4. [*Copy.*]

32. II. *Specification of berths for ships at Chatham and Portsmouth.*

32. III. *Proportion of cordage for twice mooring all his Majesty's ships at Chatham and Fareham, according to the project approved and settled in* 1618.

32. IV. *Account of wants of cordage presently to be provided for all his Majesty's Navy.*

Sept. 16. 33. Kenrick Edisbury and Stephen Alcock to Nicholas. The purser of the Assurance is desirous to put off his place to John Hart. Request his assistance in obtaining a warrant.

Sept. 16. 34. Estimate for victualling the Convertive and Tenth Lion's Whelp, for 260 men, 112 days, for service to the southward, and also for the Niver, a Dunkirk prize, for 25 men, 84 days; total, 1,040*l* 13*s.* 4*d.*

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Sept. 17. Theobalds. Renewed Proclamation for suppressing Rogues and Vagabonds, and the relief of the Poor according to law. Harvest being ended, the former similar proclamation of the 23rd April last past is to be put in execution against all persons wandering under the names of soldiers, mariners, glassmen, potmen, pedlars, petty chapmen, conyskinmen, or tinkers. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 133.]

Sept. 17. Aboard the Seventh Whelp, in the Downs. 35. Capt. Dawtry Cooper to Nicholas. Since writing the inclosed [his letter of the 12th inst., No. 23?], he had met with his Admiral [Sir Henry Mervyn?], who said that it belonged to him to complain of contempts of such a high nature as that against Mr. Mellow, and that his opinion was that Nicholas would not undertake to close a business of that sort for any gain. If it be so, prays Nicholas to accept Cooper's intentions. If he hears of a Spanish voyage, prays him to put Lord Dorset in mind of his promise that Cooper should be one.

Sept. 18. Westminster. 36. The King to Edward Earl of Dorset, Sir Heneage Finch, Recorder of London, Sir Richard Wynn, Sir Henry Spiller, Sir Edward Wardour, Sir John Francklyn, John Page, Edward Roberts, George Long, and Lawrence Whitaker. Commission for compounding with such of co. Middlesex as ought to have received the order of knighthood. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 18. 37. Lord President Conway, Edward Viscount Wimbledon, and others, Committees for relieving and increasing skilful workmen of the Company of Workmen Armourers and Gunmakers, to Attorney General Heath. To draw up a commission to certain persons under named for making and repairing all arms of the trained bands throughout England and Wales. [The persons named are Christopher Bainbridge, and various others indicated as Commissioners and Assistants, Armourers, and Gunmakers.]

Sept. 18. 38. Duplicate of the preceding, omitting the names of the Commissioners and Assistants, signed by Viscount Wimbledon.

Sept. 18. 39. Alice Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. The bills of the sickness induce a fear of a winter plague, which will not suffer her to return so soon as she determined. Harkelos Undrill [Sir Hercules Underhill] affords her good welcome. He holds his determination to bring his lady to wait on the Sec. at Brightwell. Thanks for venison, which has caused many merry meetings. Is glad that Lady Dorchester is coming to Imbercourt, that she may be near the Court. Family matters, in which she mentions her brother Underhill and her sisters Gleemon [Glemham] and Williams.

Sept. 18. Aboard the Convertive. 40. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. This day arrived in the Downs, with the sugar ships and tin ships. The Newfoundland men have arrived. The western coast has not lost so much as a boat for these three months that he has had it in guard. Wishes leave to come for London whilst his ship is fitting at Portsmouth.

Sept. 18. Southampton. 41. John Ellzey to the same. John Delabarre has made claim to certain prize wool, but seeks rather to compound than prosecute his

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claim. Desires order to dispose of them. Delabarre has offered a gratuity to the writer's wife, imagining the writer to be as corrupt as he thinks Delabarre is.

Sept. 18. York. 42. Thomas Viscount Wentworth [to Bishop Howson, of Durham ?]. Mr. Smart, resolved against that which conscience and good discretion might persuade him to, is willing to resign his prebend's place at Durham to Mr. White, of York, a good preacher and very honest man. Begs the favour of the person addressed on White's behalf.

Sept. 18. 43. Peter Smart to the same [?]. His troubles have been great, and of long continuance. He has wasted all his estate in law, into which he has been violently drawn by his adversaries. But his heart is not dejected, and his conscience is clear that he has not offended against any point of doctrine or discipline of the Church of England, whose conformable son he is, and a persuader of others to conformity, as he purposes to make good in his Apology. Is threatened to be deprived of his livings and degraded. To the intent that he may not be capable of either, he desires to resign his prebend to Miles White, a M.A. of 16 years' standing, one of the best preachers in York, of good conversation and esteem. He is a Durham man, and in time past was Smart's scholar. His benefice of Bowdon he also resigns into the Bishop's hands, but desires that out of charity his successor would allow him to dwell in the house this winter, and enjoy the benefits for one twelvemonth.

Sept. 18. 44. Depositions of John Paine, Richard Rusten, Thomas Witham, and Cuthbert Kid, that good bail was offered for John Baker when he was arrested by Thomas Smith, but that the same was refused, and that Baker was violently assaulted and ill-used by Daniel Smith, father of Thomas Smith. The parties were of Barlowe, [Barley, co. Herts.] [*See Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 49.]

Sept. 19. Aboard the Reformation, in the Downs. 45. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Has ordered the Mary Rose, Seventh Whelp, and Miniken to range the northern coast between Newcastle and Orfordness, so that colliers and fishermen may follow their employments. When the Second Whelp returns from Holland, will send her to the northward, and recal the Mary Rose, bringing the Reformation into Chatham, and sending the Convertive to Portsmouth for further orders. The complaints he made to the Earl of Dorset at Tichfield, touching the abuses of pursers, are the same presented in his letter to the Lords of August 10. Will give them a more particular account, and is joyful that they purpose to redress such inconveniences.

Sept. 19. 46. The same to Nicholas. Wonders what ale is now brewing. Never made complaint at Tichfield to the King in presence of Lord Dorset, only my Lord and the writer had some discourse of neglect of his Majesty's service, by straggling receipts of victuals and abuses of pursers, in general terms. The Earl's zeal has carried him further than Mervyn intended, but he will give account, and is

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glad their Lordships are so sensible thereof. If the resolution to fit out certain ships continues, prays early notice. Would have Henry Palmer to go in the Adventure, though as a private captain, to bring himself again into the service on any terms, and after work himself more right. Wishes the St. Claude to be one, and that "Mints" [Mennes?] had her, that he might once more have some captains that had passed their a, b, c. Wishes John Vinckeley to be her boatswain, unless Nicholas desires any one for his particular advantage. As for the peace with Spain, he is indifferent. As soon as the Constant comes in for Chatham, shall have time to see him. Recommends Robert Toope and William Bower for survey of lands.

Sept. 19. New College, Oxford. 47. Edward Stanley to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for procuring him the King's letter. The adverse party, hearing the clause of leaving them to the freedom of election, take advantage thereof, and are like factiously to prefer the man of their choice before him whom his Majesty commends to them. Suggests another letter that the King expects their conformity.

Sept. 20. Langley. 48. Lord President Conway to the same. When he was at London last recommended to him a suit for his Majesty's letters to the Emperor of Russia for some provisions of corn to be made in his country. Left the paper with Dorchester's secretary, Mr. Lucas. Begs him to give the petitioner a speedy dispatch, the time of year being far spent.

Sept. 20. Stanford. 49. Sir Thomas Roe to Henry Earl of Holland. Has bought a cell to spend the latter part of his age to his own use. His great affection for the Earl. Intreats him to cast his nativity, and counsel him whether he may be acceptable to the King and fit for these times, if not, there is no man who can retire with more ease or live in a less circle. Drake's ship, which was docked up at Deptford, had more honour than if she had gone to sea and perished. Shall come up this winter to look on awhile, and if then he may receive any mark of his Majesty's grace, he will not run from the sunshine; otherwise he will seek it on a green bank, where poor men enjoy it as warm as kings' favourites. If Holland will help the cripple at the pool's side, he shall be his good angel. Contents of letters from the King of Sweden. From Holland hears that our Ambassador has moved the States to make peace with Spain. How unseasonable and impolitic such a proposition. Puts him in mind of the King of Denmark. We can make no fruitful confederacy but in the north, nor recover our reputation but in our own element, the sea.

Sept. 20. 50. Petition of William Dawes, boatswain of the yard at Deptford, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Being in the King's yard, Robert Ingoe served a warrant upon him to appear before Justice Allablaster, at the suit of John Carter, and not long after Carter caused Nicholas Collins to arrest petitioner. Prays that Ingoe, Carter, and Collins may be brought before the Lords to answer their contempts.

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Sept. 20. 51. Certificate of Sir Edward Monox, Henry Goddard, Kenrick Edisbury, and others, for Richard Perryn to be master smith at Chatham, in room of John Neale, deceased.

Sept. 20. 52. Certificate of William Cooke and Nathaniel Terne for George Hennace to be a boatswain.

Sept. 21. 53. Minute of a claim made by Gawin Holden, at a court held for the Forest of Waltham, co. Essex, of messuages and lands in Woodford and Chigwell, within the same forest.

Sept. 21. Similar minute of a claim made by George Lyon at the same court, of the lands and chattels of felons happening at Buckhurst, otherwise Munckenhill, otherwise Monkhill, in the same parishes of Woodford and Chigwell. [*Written on the same sheet as the preceding article.*]

Sept. 22. 54. Capt. Henry Skipwith to Sec. Dorchester. Hearing that Sir Valentine Browne and some others having intelligence of the King's right to the lands of Desmond and "the Deces," of which the writer gave Dorchester notice, he sends him a copy of the record taken out of the Tower, and desires him to make it sure with the King.

Sept. 22. Woolwich. 55. Capt. Phineas Pett to Nicholas. Has been extreme sick since their Portsmouth journey. Recommends his kinsman, Joseph Pett, for master carpenter of the Antelope.

Sept. 23. / Oct. 3. Paris. 56. Edward Dacres to Sec. Dorchester. The Duke [of Lennox] has been at Aubigny to see his grandmother, and is now fixed in Paris for the winter, where he is much taken notice of, and not suffered to live within the compass of his small means. Begs Dorchester to persuade the Duchess to be content with the Duke's expences. He pays 50 crowns a month for his house, buys a coach and four horses, and maintains them, has ten servants, whereof five are gentlemen, has bought new liveries for a coachman and three lackeys, all which, with five or six several exercises, cannot be defrayed at 2,000*l.* a year. 500*l.* a year addition is solicited. The apprehension of his expences being beyond his income will clog and dull his spirit, which wants quickening. Here are a great many Englishmen under his quality who live at higher rates.

Sept. 23. 57. Certificate of Phineas Pett and others in favour of Henry Hall, of Poplar, to succeed John Neale, late anchor-smith at Chatham. [*Underwritten is a recommendation of Kenrick Edisbury, that Hall should rather be appointed to make great anchors at Deptford, where there is a great forge purposely built at his Majesty's charge.* 1630, *Oct.* 1.]

Sept. 24. 58. Petition of Thomas Kynaston, one of the yeomen ushers of the chamber, and Richard Batten, one of the ordinary yeomen of the same, to the King. By Acts of Parliament of 1 Elizabeth and 28 Henry VIII., penalties and forfeitures are imposed upon persons

practising certain deceipts in racking linen cloth (as dowlas and lockrams), and casting upon it liquors mingled with chalk, whereby it is made to seem finer and thicker. Pray for a grant of such forfeitures as petitioners shall discover, for 31 years, and licence to search for and seal all linen cloth in cos. Chester, Lancaster, and Salop, paying 5*l.* yearly to the King. *Underwritten,*

58. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer, calling to him his Majesty's learned counsel to certify the true state of the business. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Sept.* 24.

58. II. *Reference by the Lord Treasurer to the Attorney and Solicitor General to certify their opinions.* 1630, *Dec.* 16.

Sept. 24. New College, Oxford. 59. Certificate from the Warden [Dr. Robert Pinck] and 22 Fellows of the College of St. Mary of Winton [New College] in Oxford, to the King, that they had obeyed His Majesty's letters, by voting for Mr. Edward Stanley for Warden of Winchester College, but that the greater part of the Fellows dissented therein from them.

Sept. 24. 60. Petition of Ellen Charlton, of Bower, co. Northumberland, to the King. By the violence of heavy prosecutors, her sons, John Charlton and Thomas Charlton, have been cast for pretended thefts of two mares and three cows, and petitioner is in danger of question as an accessory. Prays that they may enjoy the general pardon granted on the birth of the Prince. *Underwritten,*

60. I. *Reference to the Judges of Assize to know how the case stands with the petitioner and her sons. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Sept.* 24. *Annexed,*

60. II. *Report of Mr. Justice Humphrey Davenport, in which the various charges against John and Thomas Charlton are set forth. They were justly convicted and sentenced to death, but in respect that their offences were committed before the birth of the Prince, they were reprieved. Serjeants' Inn, Fleet Street,* 1630, *Oct.* 9.

60. III. *Order on seeing the report of Mr. Justice Davenport for the Attorney General to prepare the pardon solicited. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Oct.* 28.

Sept. 24. Chesterfield. 61. William Earl of Newcastle, Lord Lieutenant of co. Derby, and his Deputy Lieutenants, to the Council. Sir John Ferrers, Thomas Eyre, and John Gell, refuse to pay to the musters and exercising of the foot forces in co. Derby. Pray that they may be caused to answer for such refusal.

Sept. 24. 62. Capt. Henry Skipwith to Sec. Dorchester. The bearer, Capt. Collum, is a near neighbour to the lands of Desmond. He will give the Sec. full satisfaction, so as he will not disclose him because of the hatred of his neighbours and allies.

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Sept. 25. 63. Sir James Cambell, Lord Mayor of London, and others, to the Council. In reference to their letter respecting the prices of victuals, fuel, and corn, they reply, that flesh is, at this time, at reasonable rates, and the butchers pray leave to satisfy the Council that they are free from practice for making victuals dear. For fuel, they find coals to be at reasonable rates; and for corn, such has been their desire to keep down the price, that they have much wasted the city's provisions. They have yet remaining in store about 1,500 quarters, and are giving present order for providing 10,000 quarters from remote places.

Sept. 25. Aboard the Mary Rose, in North Yarmouth Road. 64. Capt. Francis Sydenham to the Lords of the Admiralty. Gives account of the capture of a Dunkirker, which had been very unfairly endeavoured to be taken from him by a Dutch man-of-war, the Rue Basse of Enckhuysen, Capt. John Bleker. During the contest the Seventh Whelp was accidentally blown up and lost, only ten of her crew being saved, of whom the captain was one. Aboard the Dunkirker Sydenham had captured 23 men belonging to the Dutch vessel, whom he had sent ashore until he had order for their release.

Sept. 25. London. 65. Sir John Francis Biondi to Sec. Dorchester. Mons. de Mayerne informed the writer two months ago, that on occasion of presenting to the Sec. a letter to Biondi from a friend in Italy, Mayerne had spoken to the Sec. about Biondi's affairs, and that he had promised, that on a future occasion, if a letter on the subject were written in a proper manner, he would lay it before his Majesty. Incloses a letter written with that intention, and solicits him to favour the application. Ital. *Inclosed,*

65. I. *The same to the same. Sends a letter from a friend in Venice which reports the death of the Marquis Spinola. Takes advantage of the opportunity to beg a favour of him. Relates the course of his life and state of his affairs from* 1609, *when he came to England and the late King granted him a small pension. The death of the Earl of Devonshire has deprived him of an income of* 100*l. per annum; and his pension of* 200*l. is so badly paid that he has fallen into great need. Prays the King to add* 100*l. per annum to his pension, with an order that he should be paid. London,* 1630, *Sept.* 25. *Ital.*

Sept. 26. Hampton Court. 66. Order of Council. The Convertive and the Tenth Whelp are to be made ready for a voyage into Spain to fetch home Sir Francis Cottington.

Sept. 27. 67. Philip Burlamachi to Sec. Dorchester. Sends a packet from Paris. The King of France is convalescent, although he has been at the point of death. Spinola is believed to be dead of a burning fever. Fr.

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Sept. 27. On board the Reformation, in Stokes Bay.

68. Sir Henry Mervyn to Sec. Coke. The sea was never so pestered with Dunkirk freebooters. Which way Mervyn's ships hold their course they cannot miss the chase of three, four, and five together, and his ship being very foul they run them out of sight in one watch. The best service Mervyn's ships can do is to keep such shipping as they meet with from their assaults. Since Monday they have preserved English and Scottish ships of the value of 100,000*l.* which fled to them from the chase of the Dunkirkers. Understands the Garland and Adventure are to be made ready for that service. Begs to have the Bonaventure instead of the Adventure.

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69. Sir Guilford Slingsby to Nicholas. Complains of the Vanguard being let out by the great for repairing to one Eliott, an insufficient person, who is putting in improper timber. [*Nicholas has endorsed upon this letter a memorandum that he showed it to the Lords of the Admiralty on the 28th inst. at Hampton Court. They thought fit that Capt. Pett should be spoken with to know if this be true.*]

Sept. 28. Hampton Court.

Proclamation for preventing the dearth of corn and victuals. The Book of Orders on this subject set forth in the time of Queen Elizabeth, and renewed in that of the late King, having been revised and reprinted, magistrates are charged to see the same put in execution, so as to suppress the offences of engrossers and to cause the assize of bread and beer to be truly kept. Fish days, and especially Lent, are to be duly observed; "the ancient and laudable custom" of abstinence from suppers on Fridays and the "eves of feasts com-"manded to be fasted" is ordered to be kept in all taverns and ordinaries, and commended to all private families; the usual feasts in the halls of city companies are to be forborne, and half the charge to be given to the relief of the poor; foreign ships are not to be allowed to victual themselves in English ports for long voyages; with other minute regulations. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 134.]

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70. Minutes in Nicholas's handwriting of business to be transacted by the Lords of the Admiralty at their meeting at Hampton Court this day, with brief notes of the orders made in three cases. The Garland, St. Claude, and two Whelps were appointed for service in the Narrow Seas; Saturday next was appointed to receive the return of the commission sent to view the river of Portsmouth; and Perryn and Hall were appointed anchorsmiths.

Sept. 28. Chatham.

71. William Cooke, Thomas Austen, and Nathaniel Terne to Nicholas. Henry Place desires to surrender his place of boatswain in the Nonsuch to John Johnson, who is certified to be competent.

71. I. *Underwritten are certificates of Kenrick Edisbury and Phineas Pett, of the ability of John Johnson.*

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72. Anna Lady Wake to William Boswell. Prays him to procure Lord [Carlisle] to present Mr. Wake's petition to the King. Mr. Wake's great necessities. His credit exhausted with Mr. Jacob.

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They do not spend one penny on which they do not pay use upon use. Of 6,000*l.* behind they can only get 2,000*l.*, which is not to be paid until Christ-tide come twelve months.

Sept. 28. 73. Orders to be performed by the Dean and Chapter of Durham, enacted by Bishop Howson of Durham, at his primary visitation this day. No timber to be granted otherwise than according to the statutes; no rents or fines to be detained by way of estoppel; moneys formerly detained to be paid to the Treasurer; no disbursements to be made without the consent of the Dean and Chapter; Richard Hutchinson, the organist, to have the place of Master of the choristers, and to teach them to sing and play upon the organ and virginal; directions for residence; to prevent scandal of innovation, the uniformity of Common Prayer used before the alterations in the time of the late Bishop to be observed; the treasurer to repair the houses of the Dean and Prebendaries. [*Indorsed, "Hinc illæ lacrymæ."*]

Sept. 28. 74. Exchequer account of Receipts and Issues from the 4th inst. to this day. Among the payments are:—John Sernigius, 25*l.*; Nicholas Briot, 62*l.* 10*s.*; Edward Norgate, 50*l.* The sum received during the period comprised in this account was, 5,910*l.* 8*s.* 8½*d.*; the payments, 5,405*l.* 5*s.*; the remain, 1,760*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.*

Sept. 29. Hampton Court. 75. Order of Council. The Garland, the St. Claude, and two of the Lion's Whelps to be manned and victualled for service in the Narrow Seas for three months.

Sept. 29. Hampton Court. 76. Order of Council. Elizabeth Peppercorn, widow of Peter Peppercorn, having petitioned for payment of 40*l.* and upwards for fish supplied by her late husband for prisoners in the Tower, on the order of the late Sir Allen Apsley, and the Board having been often troubled with suits of the like nature, Sir John Wolstenholme, Dr. Rives, Auditors Povey and Phillipps, Edward Nicholas, and Capt. Mason are to examine the true state of Sir Allen's debts, and to consider how the same may be satisfied out of the money or lands assigned to that end and accepted by the creditors. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 29. Hampton Court. 77. Order of Council. The Mary of Olona, a French ship taken by the Transport of London, Capt. West, having been adjudged lawful prize, and Capt. West having received his share thereof, the Judge of the Admiralty is to cause the shares remaining to be delivered to the mariners of the Transport. [*Copy.*]

Sept. 29. Hampton Court. 78. Thomas Earl of Arundel and Surrey to Sir Henry Vane. The Countess and himself are well, and have received the addition of another little boy, whom the King was pleased, of his own motion to make a little Charles, coming privately with the Queen one afternoon when he was in London to Arundel House. Is glad of the return of Lady Vane, and hopes he will not be long absent, since the business of Spain is so forward and Sir Francis Cottington has his revocation, especially, also, since there is no great likelihood that the States will make use of his Majesty's power to treat for them with Spain.

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Sept. 29. Buckden. 79. Bishop Williams of Lincoln to Sir Thomas Roe. Mr. Boswell and Mr. Osbeston gave the Bishop assurance that Sir Thomas would call at the Bishop's house, which he expects, the rather because he lies on Sir Thomas's road to London, and was an host to his predecessor, Mr. Coniers. Has ever loved his good parts which were so well esteemed by his late sovereign that, had he used no other hand than his own, to help men up, Roe had been fixed in a more constant orb than that of an Ambassador.

Sept. 29. 80. Estimate for trimming and supply of stores for the Convertive for four months longer at sea. Total, 1,490*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.*

Sept. 29. 81. Assessment of the inhabitants of the precinct of St. Mary Bothaw, in the Ward of Walbrook, London, made 25 March 1629, towards the Raker's wages, of 1*l.* 14*s.* for one year, with payments thereout up to this day.

[Sept. 29 ?] 82. Another assessment of the same precinct, slightly differing from the preceding, and declared in an indorsement to be "not a "true note."

Sept. 30. 83. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Report on a referred petition of Sir John Chudleigh for moneys claimed by him as Captain of the Bonaventure; 1, as appointed to convoy ammunition ships and victuallers to the Isle of Rhé; and 2, as Vice-Admiral under the Earl of Holland. He also claimed, 3, Captain's pay for his ship after she was sunk at Plymouth. The officers report that 73*l.* and 3*l.* 10*s.* were due to him on his first and second claims; as to his third claim there was no precedent of the like allowance. *Inclosed,*

83. I. *List of ships convoyed by Sir John Chudleigh to the Isle of Rhé.*

Sept. 30. Fulham. 84. Bishop Laud to Sec. Dorchester. Sends materials of letter to be sent to New College. Concerning Dr. Bancroft's brother Richard Bancroft, and his unhappy business, he had given bond in the High Commission, and was now prosecuted for being in the company of a certain woman contrary to his bond. He solicits a pardon of the presumption of law arising from his having been in the woman's company. The Bishop supposes a pardon will be agreeable to his Majesty's grace, though if a crime had been in question in the High Commission it might be thought unfit to pardon it.

Sept. 30. Bristol. 85. William Willett to Nicholas. Certificate shall be sent of the produce of the St. John of Dunkirk. If the captain and other officers receive not as they usually do, they will not be satisfied. Sir Guilford Slingsby had the refusal of the ship at 440*l.* The captain that came from Sallee in the Speedwell is named John Browne. Capt. Harrison who is lately come from Sallee can inform Nicholas of a conversation they had about that ship.

Sept. 30. Dover Road. 86. Sir Henry Mervyn to the same. His foremast and his victuals have made an end together; both will do no more than bring

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them into Chatham. Since Monday se'nnight they have kept the sea ranging to and again, Dunkirk men-of-war before, about, and on every side, but they would not come to Sir Henry nor could he get at them. He plied where he thought he might most prevent damage, and saved and rescued ships of great value. From Chatham will come to London to understand the Lords' further resolution. Forwards letter to Sec. Coke, written from Stokes Bay (*see No.* 68), but the enemy lying in sight and locking in all merchant shipping, he put to sea and had not leisure to send it on shore. If speedy course be not taken to send out ships fears much mischief will ensue.

Sept. 30. Aboard the Mary Rose, in North Yarmouth Road.

87. Capt. Francis Sydenham to Nicholas. Recapitulates the circumstances of the capture of a Dunkirker and misconduct of a Dutch vessel, as detailed in his letter to the Lords of the Admiralty of the 25th inst. (*See No.* 64.) He intreats Nicholas to procure him an order what to do with the 23 Dutchmen, and that he may keep his prize out for the time his ship is victualled, he not having any other ship with him, in consequence of the loss of the Seventh Whelp.

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88. Certified list of those gentlemen who appeared at Oundle this day, and "made gree" with the Commissioners for composition for knighthood for co. Northampton, also of such as sent answers. The list contains the names of 17 persons, of whom eight offered to pay sums varying from 10*l.* to 25*l.*; the others sent excuses or refusals. *Annexed,*

88. I. *Edmund Mountsteven to the Commissioners above mentioned. Is old, sickly, and of weak estate.*

88. II. *Francis Nicolls to the same. Is ready to answer in the Exchequer.* 1630, *Sept.* 30.

88. III. *Walter Kirkham to the same. Offers* 25*l.* 1630, *Sept.* 30.

88. IV. *John Miller to the same. Desires his appearance may be excused, not doubting but he shall acquit himself in the Exchequer. Draughton,* 1630, *Sept.* 29.

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Warrant to pay to the children and administrators of Abraham Abercromby, deceased, late sadler to Prince Henry, 1,193*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, being the remainder of 2,003*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, for wares delivered for the service of the late King and Prince, for payment of which a former warrant was granted in the second year of His Majesty's reign. [*Docquet.*]

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89. The King to ——. Sends him a schedule of the number of deer of this season bestowed upon several ambassadors and agents, with the parks where they are to be killed. He is to cause warrants to be directed accordingly. [*Copy.*]

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90. Another copy of the same.

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91. Petition of Dawtry Cooper, captain of the late pinnace, the Lion's Seventh Whelp, to the King. Has served at sea for 20

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years. In his last employment he fought with one enemy and took another, with the loss of a son and a nephew, besides 48 men, the King's ship, and all his own goods. Prays for the command of the St. Claude.

[Sept. ?] 92. Petition of Sir John Bridgeman, Chief Justice, and Sir Nicholas Overbury, Sir Marmaduke Lloyd, and Edward Waties, Justices of Wales, to the King. Vindicate their past proceedings in reference to the erection of an office of Clerk of the Billets, within the principality of Wales (*see Vol.* clxvi., *No.* 51), and pray that such office, being a great inconvenience and charge to the poor subjects of those parts, his Majesty would set down such directions as would stand with justice, and conduce to the peace of that long established Court.

[Sept. ?] 93. Petition of Robert Herick, chaplain to the late Duke of Buckingham in the Isle of Rhé, to the same. The King having bestowed on the petitioner the vicarage of Dean [Prior], by the removal of Dr. Potter to the bishopric of Carlisle, petitioner prays that the commendam to the Bishop having expired, the grant to himself may be dispatched. [*See* 1629, *Sept.* 30. *Under the petition the petitioner has written, "cætera mando Deo."*]

[Sept. ?] 94. Petition of John Barker to the Council. On complaint of the Levant Company, that petitioner had unlawfully taken a ship from the subjects of the Great Turk, whereupon their goods were seized in Turkey, petitioner had suffered a year's imprisonment. Having present employment offered, he prays for his liberation on security.

[Sept. ?] 95. Petition of Sir Robert Cotton and Thomas Cotton to the same. The studies of petitioners were sealed up on the 3rd November last, and so yet remain, whereby many of the books are almost utterly lost for want of airing, and petitioners are deprived of the use of the books and the best rooms of the house. Pray to be admitted again to the use of the said rooms and books.

[Sept. ?] 96. Petition of Capt. William Bust and Company to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having, under letters of marque, taken a Spanish carvel, and sent the same home to Southampton by some of the company, the petitioners' man-of-war coming on the French coast near Brest, was forcibly seized and broken to pieces, and the petitioners subjected to great ill-usage. Pray redress.

[Sept. ?] 97. Minute of application to the Lord Treasurer Weston by Nicholas. The King said he would allow Nicholas 200*l.* per annum, during his attendance on the Lords of the Admiralty; but a privy seal was granted only for 200*l.* for the year then ended. Prays for a grant of 200*l.* per annum during pleasure, to be paid by the Lord Treasurer's warrant out of the profits of the Admiralty.

[Sept. ?] 98. Brief on behalf of Thomas White and Company of the Renew, in a cause against the Lanier of Rouen, taken in June last sailing towards Spain, with a great quantity of prohibited goods.

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Oct. 1. Hampton Court. 1. The King to Attorney General Heath. Sir Cornelius Vermuyden being to pay 5,000*l.* for the purchase of Malvern Chase, co. Worcester, 4,000*l.* thereof had been directed to be paid to Philip Burlamachi, in discharge of debts owing to him. The Attorney General is to prepare a bill for the other 1,000*l.* to be paid to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, towards laying dry the copper mines, co. Cornwall.

Oct. 1. Hampton Court. 2. Sec. Dorchester to the same. To prepare a pardon for Richard Bancroft, of Willesden, co. Middlesex, for misdemeanors objected against him before the Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

Oct. 1. Mincing Lane. 3. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. Sends names of shipwrights, to whom warrants for survey of the reparations performed by special contracts made by Mr. Burrell and Capt. Pett may be directed.

Oct. 2. 4. Petition of Nicholas Briot to the King. On a proposition about the fabrication of the King's moneys, a warrant was sent to the Officers of the Mint, on 2nd February last, to place petitioner in such lodgings as should be requisite for trial of his proposition. But he has never been able to obtain sufficient lodgings for his instruments and workmen thereby to perform his promise. Prays for a commission to some persons to put him in possession of sufficient lodgings in the Tower, where he may work. Has already lost six years since he first came into England. *Underwritten,*

4. 1. *Reference to the Attorney General to call to the Officers of the Mint to have perusal of the warrant of February above mentioned, and thereupon to draw a commission to the purpose desired. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Oct.* 2.

Oct. 2. 5. The same to the same. Complains that he has been hindered by the Officers of the Mint, upon the pretext that he is not of their body or corporation. John Gilbert, joint patentee with Edward Greene, in the office of Chief Graver of the Irons in the Mint, is willing to surrender that office. Petitioner prays that he may be joined with Greene. *Underwritten,*

5. 1. *The King being well acquainted with the abilities of the petitioner, directs the Attorney General to call for the joint patent for Chief Graver of the Irons, and if he finds that his Majesty may without prejudice grant the petitioner's request, he is to prepare a bill accordingly. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Oct.* 2.

Oct. 2. 6. Copy of the preceding petition and reference.

[Oct. 2?] 7. Nicholas Briot to the King. Observations on the present objectionable character of the copper coinage. The farthing token is of excessive lightness and price (the value being at the rate of 26*s.* 2*d.* the pound, of 16 oz. of copper), and is of an ugly and deformed stamp, easily counterfeited. Suggests that the weight

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ought to be increased by two-thirds, and that the coinage should be made in the Tower, and wrought by mill and engines, which will prevent counterfeiting. Suggests also a coinage of halfpennies of pure copper.

Oct. 2. Hampton Court. 8. Minutes by Nicholas of business to be considered by the Lords of the Admiralty at their sitting this day, with marginal memoranda of the results. The Miniken, the Fortune, pink, and the Convertive, were ordered to be victualled for actual service.

Oct. 3. York. 9. Thomas Viscount Wentworth to Bishop Laud. Through Smart's wilful folly it is likely he will be degraded within these fourteen days, whereupon his prebend at Durham will fall void. Mr. Carr, who is at this instant gone to Cambridge to take his degree of Doctor, has lived in the writer's house near twenty years. He has been infinitely happy in his conversation, and desires to place some good upon him. Not having an advowson in his gift, is a suitor that Bishop Laud would recommend Carr to my Lord of Durham for that place. There is not a learneder man on the north of Trent, nor a priest of a better temper and life.

Oct. 3. Stanford. 10. Sir Thomas Roe to Sec. Dorchester. Sends letters forwarded to him from the Duke of Courland for his Majesty. The restoration of that family concerns his Majesty in honour, religion, and reason of state. Makes no question that Mr. Gordon has written to him on the business, as well as of the other great controversy between the English merchants and the stubborn town of Dantsic. Instructions may still be sent to Mr. Gordon before the breaking up of the next assembly at Warsaw. Roe has bought a cell in that country, not to retire from service, but because his blue coat has wanted a badge, some mark to be known whom he has served. Will wait upon him this winter, to take his leave of London. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 3. Stanford. The same to Henry Earl of Holland. Repeats the information in the preceding letter, and states the grounds on which the confiscation of the family of the Dukes of Courland should be endeavoured to be averted. [*Written on the same sheet as the preceding. Copy.*]

Oct. 6. Haverford West. 11. Justices of Peace for co. Pembroke to the Council. Acknowledge receipt of letters to suppress forestallers and transporters of corn. The prices of corn are higher in their market than usually at that time of year, by reason that some have attempted to export corn, whereof they have stayed one bark laden. Others have contracted to do the like. Pray them to stay any licence for carrying corn out of that country.

Oct. 7. Chatham. 12. Sir Guilford Slingsby to Nicholas. Henry Place, the ancientest boatswain of the navy, is desirous to pass over his place in the Nonsuch to John Johnson, who has been his deputy for five years. Johnson is highly recommended to Nicholas's favour.

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[Oct. 7 ?] 13. Petition of Nicholas Neale to the Lords of the Admiralty. Prays appointment of cook in the Nonsuch.

Oct. 7. Penryn. 14. William Carran to Sir Robert Killigrew, Vice-Chamberlain to the Queen. Received at Exeter of Mr. Tickle 70*l.*, and made up 125*l.*, which has been paid to Sir William Killigrew for his quarterage to Michaelmas. At least 10,000 bushels of wheat have been taken up in the west part of Cornwall by several merchants, whether for home or foreign use is not known. Their bushel is 20 gallons. The result has been that the price of wheat has risen from 8*s.* to 12*s.* per bushel, and before Easter will be 20*s.*

Oct. 7. Chilton Foliat. 15. John Packer to Francis Windebank. The land he had at the coronation was in Berkshire. If Windebank thinks he ought to pay in that county, and not in his present county, where then he had nothing, begs him to lay down the amount for the writer. He understands it is two subsidies and a half for land, according to the rate in the subsidy book. His proportion will be 12*l.* 10*s.*, which he will repay through his brother Hawkins, who is now at Westminster.

Oct. 8. East Retford Sessions. 16. Justices of Peace for co. Nottingham to the Council. At the sessions at East Retford there were certified four recognizances taken before Sir Hardolph Wasteneys, of John Molanus and three others, workmen of Sir Cornelius Vermuyden, to keep the peace towards Francis Thornhill, and all others. Send copy of the information against these persons. *Inclosed,*

16. I. *Copy of Information of Mary Thornhill, wife of Francis Thornhill, and Edward their son. On fifth of August deponents going into a close of Francis Thornhill, where John Molanus, a Dutchman, with eight others, had wrongfully entered and digged, after divers speeches Molanus struck at the said Edward, and offered to strike the said Mary, and afterwards used wrongful and undecent words against Sir Francis Thornhagh.*

Oct. 8. 17. Certificate of William Man and Peter Heywood. Joan Price was complained of to William Man, one of the Justices for Westminster, that she was a person of loose life, out of service, vagranting, idling, and shifting from place to place, lodging in "heymoughes," or haystacks, in a field near Tyburn, and sometimes in outhouses upon the bare boards in Petty-France and Longditch, and many times scraping trenchers at tents and other places for scraps. She was sent to the House of Correction in Tuthill fields, and afterwards by pass to Tewkesbury. Ten or twelve days afterwards she and another woman brought an accusation of bigamy against Henry Shelton. Having been put upon his trial at Newgate he had been acquitted.

[Oct. 9.] 18. Mayor and Recorder of Oxford to Sec. Dorchester. Appeal to his connection with the University and county of Oxford, and the advice of the Earl of Danby, as reasons for addressing him. Send inclosed examination, relating to a person of comely personage, well-

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spoken, and very penitent, whom they detain in prison until the Sec's pleasure be known. His accusers are strangers or residents usually found in alehouses situate in suburbs.

18. I. *Separate Informations of Francis Thornton, Methuselah Flower, Henry May, and Walter Powell, who deposed that on the last day of September John Langton, at a victualling house in the suburbs of Oxford, uttered words in derogation of the King's soldiers as compared with those beyond seas, and also of the King's treatment of them in respect of pay. He moreover asserted that the Gunpowder Conspirators were no traitors, which he offered to maintain with his sword. To these informations are added two examinations of the person accused. He was a native of co. Lancaster, who had served in English regiments abroad. About three weeks since landed at Dover, and came through London to Oxford, where he had kindred. Does not remember the words imputed to him. Was in drink at that time.*

Oct. 10. Hampton Court.

19. Order of Council. Prejudice being done to his Majesty's service in the business of compounding for knighthood, by reason of partial and negligent returns made by Sheriffs, the Attorney General is to proceed against such of the Sheriffs as had been most delinquent in that kind, of which number the Sheriff of co. Northampton is conceived to be one.

Oct. 10. Scadbury.

20. Sir Thomas Walsingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Justices of Peace for West Kent find that transportation of corn is one of the chief causes of dearth and scarcity. The searchers of London, and some other parts in Kent, having molested his officers for doing their duties in that kind, he cannot get them to look after this service without some further warrant.

Oct. 10. Hampton Court.

21. Sec. Coke to Nicholas. His Majesty this day required a particular account of what ships had been employed at sea this year, for what times, under what commanders, and what accounts the captains had given of their employment, his Majesty's reason being that information had been given him of much negligence in the Narrow Seas, both by absence of commanders, and by lying in harbour or in the Downs. Sec. Coke is charged to deliver these particulars next Sunday. Requests Nicholas to furnish him with the papers and information. The King's end is princely. If they can give him satisfaction for the present they will for the future put things into a due form of account, both for better government and his Majesty's better contentment. He begs Nicholas to deal freely in all he knows. Nicholas is aware that the Lords have referred to the Earl of Dorset, Sec. Dorchester, and the writer the examination of that tumultuary complaint with which his Majesty was troubled at Tichfield. Which of the masters or boatswains were with Sir Henry Mervyn at that time? The purser of Sir Henry's ship to be sent to Coke at Twick-

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enham. Sir Kenelm Digby is made a Commissioner for the Navy, and will, as Coke hopes, be a good means to advance the service, though some be displeased at it.

Oct. 10. Scadbury. 22. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Nicholas. Sends his letter to the Lords of this date to be delivered if not disliked. The clamour is very great for transportation of corn. All the wheat that this year grew in Erith marshes is a-threshing, to be transported, only under colour of sending it into Essex. If the Lords will give him authority he will stay it when it is waterborne. Sent a restraint of transportation of oysters, but in the Hundred of Faversham and the King's channel, of which Sir Dudley Digges claims to be Lord, there is no restraint. Urges the grant of a new warrant which may extend over that jurisdiction.

Oct. 10. Chilton. 23. John Packer to Francis Windebank. Thanks for his friendly offices. The Commissioners for that county have returned the writer's name, notwithstanding the constable had no warrant to warn him, but made answer that he had no land in that county at the coronation. Thinks the surest way will be to pay in Berkshire, and desires his friendship to compound as he thinks fit.

Oct. 10. 24. Account of moneys due to the Queen of Bohemia out of the Exchequer; total 9,950*l.*

Oct. 11. London. 25. Sir Henry Mervyn to Lord Treasurer Weston. Has fallen lame and cannot wait on him. Cannot fit another Whelp to strengthen the convoy of the ordnance, the Whelps being all at Portsmouth. Suggests that they should go under guard of the Second Whelp and the Miniken to Yarmouth, whence the Mary Rose can stand over with them for Holland.

Oct. 11. Bircham. 26. John Hassall, Dean of Norwich, to Sec. Dorchester. The bearer is recommended to the Sec.'s favour, and the writer humbly requests that he would descend so low as to accept from him a patent of the High Stewardship of his Cathedral Church, with the yearly stipend of 20 nobles thereunto belonging. If the writer shall ever be transplanted from this barren to a better soil, he shall not, like the accursed fig tree, frustrate his planter's desert of better fruit. The late King named the Earl of Northampton in their charter as the first steward; the Earl of Pembroke succeeded. If he pleases to "succenturiate," *sic ab Jove tertius Ajax.* As soon as the church-audit is passed he will present this service in person.

Oct. 11. Aboard the Second Whelp in Margate Road. 27. Augustin Bright, master of the Second Whelp, to Nicholas. A French bark, the Jane of Caen, having been brought to with difficulty and after firing many shots at her, is found full of English goods with various cockets all from London, but without a discharge from Gravesend. Requests instructions what he shall do with her.

Oct. 11. 28. William Willett to [the same]. Long details of his dealings with the cargo of the St. John of Dunkirk, in answer to informations against him of having embezzled a quantity of salt.

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Oct. 11. Exeter College, Oxford.

29. Dr. John Prideaux to Bishop Laud, Chancellor of Oxford. The Vice-Chancellor had acquainted them with the Bishop's dislike of accumulating degrees. Is ready to conform, but submits that sufficient notice should be given before execution be urged. Mr. Bayly and Mr. Hodges have been at great pains and charge to perform their exercises before any intimation given of stopping accumulating, which if it presently take place, their hopes, travels, and expenses are all frustrated.

Oct. 11. Lease from Mary Allanson, of Fleet Street, widow, to Thomas Beadle, of Shoe Lane, London, "coque," of a messuage called the Crown in Shoe Lane, in the parish of St. Bride's, for two consecutive terms of seven years, if the lessor or her son Edmund Allanson should so long live, at the yearly rent of 30*l.* In a schedule of fixtures attached are enumerated, "a pipe of lead that bringeth "Middleton's water, with a cock belonging to it," and "the sign of "the Crown hanging in the street." [*Case A., Charles I., No.* 12.]

Oct. 12. The King to Sir Kenelm Digby, one of the gentlemen of the Privy Chamber. Appointment as a principal Officer of the Navy, especially in making estimates, taking up provisions, giving instructions to inferior officers, in rating wages, signing books for payments, and all other things which concern a Commissioner or principal Officer. [*Copy. See Vol. of Admiralty Collections, Dom. Eliz., end of* 1590, *fo.* 94 *b.*]

Oct. 12. 30. Estimate for victualling 410 men, to serve in the Garland, St. Claude, First Whelp, and Third Whelp, for guard of the Narrow Seas, for three months, and of victualling the Convertive for 200 men for 28 days: total, 1,454*l.* 5*s.*

Oct. 13. Langley. 31. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. In conformity with the King's desire to have a certificate from the Judge in the case of Grismond, before the reprieve should be revoked, the writer applied to the Judge who tried him, and received the inclosed. Has no inclination to spill blood, but is moved by a zeal to the King's justice, and to vindicate it from such aspersions as the pardoning of so foul a murder would cast upon it. Thanks the Sec. for refusing to accept a suit from Lord Conway's cousin, Sir Fulke Greville, until he understood it had his approbation, because it concerned a principal place in the government of the Isle of Wight. *Inclosed,*

31. I. *Mr. Justice William Jones to Lord President Conway. William Grismond was arraigned for murdering Margaret Clarke, a young woman whom he had gotten with child, and who was found in a broom-close with her throat cut. Sends copies of examinations which were given in evidence against him at his trial. The whole Bench conceived him to be guilty. Inclosed,*

31. I. 1. *Examinations of Edmund Durning, Edward Taylor, and William Grismond, setting forth the facts above mentioned. Thornton,* 1629, *Nov.* 1.

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[Oct. 13 ?] 32. Minute of a petition from the inhabitants of co. Hereford, that justice might be done on William Grismond for so barbarous a murder.

[Oct. 13 ?] The like of a similar petition from the same, that justice might be done for the murder of John Rogers, late of Netherley, co. Hereford, whereof George Shepherd who had fled was suspected. [*Written on the same paper as the preceding.*]

Oct. 13. London. 33. Horatio Gentileschi to Sec. Dorchester. Intreats his intercession with the Lord Treasurer to procure him payment of money promised, so that he might pay his debts and live in peace. Ital.

Oct. 13. Sherborne Lodge. 34. John Earl of Bristol to [the same ?]. Solicits that Mr. John Stone, the Earl's kinsman, and formerly his secretary in Spain, afterwards the King's agent in that country, and finally Consul at Lisbon, may be reappointed to his Consulship at Lisbon on the restoration of peace with Spain.

Oct. 13. 35. John Paltock to Nicholas. By reason of infirmity of body, desires to transfer his place of purser of the Constant Reformation to Robert Whetnall as his deputy. *Subjoined,*

35. I. *Certificate of Kenrick Edisbury of the fitness of Robert Whetnall for the proposed appointment. Deptford,* 1630, *Oct.* 13.

[Oct. 13 ?] 36. Certificates of Kenrick Edisbury and Stephen Alcock, of the sufficiency of Nathaniel Busher to be purser of the Constant Reformation in the place of John Paltock.

Oct. 13. 37. Minute of a recognizance entered into by Edward Greene before Sir Robert Rich, Master in Chancery, whereby he acknowledged a surrender formerly made by John Gilbert of the office of Graver of the Irons for the moneys of the late King, held by him jointly with Greene.

Oct. $\frac{14}{24}$ Paris. 38. James Duke of Lennox to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador at the Hague. Either himself or his son shall freely command the Duke. His son need not call upon Sir Henry to disengage him; he is rather a creditor than a debtor. The Duke's resolution for his place of abode was agreeable to Sir Henry's advice. In the matter of exercises, no place in France is considerable in regard of Paris. The best masters are to be found where most money is stirring. Sir Henry's son gives him example to be diligent. Has followed his advice in writing to the Queen of Bohemia.

Oct. 14. 39. Report of Sir Robert Chester and W. Ayloffe on a cause in difference between Agnes Grenill, of Barley, co. Hertford, widow, and Daniel Smyth, of the same place, yeoman. The question in dispute related to the titles of the several parties to lands called Mr. Johns in Nether Chishall, co. Essex. The right was reported to be in the widow, but Smyth was in possession, and resisted all terms of accommodation.

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Oct. 14. 40. Exchequer account of Receipts and Issues from the 28 Sept. last to this day. Among the payments are James Elliott, 25*l.*; Sir John North, 50*l.*; Lord Stanhope, 30*l.*; David Ramsey, 110*l.*; Richard Cartwright, 22*l.*; Elizabeth Skipwith, 100*l.* The receipt was 18,001*l.*; the issue, 17,632*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.*; the remain, 2,129*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.*

Oct. 15. 41. Sec. Dorchester to the Mayor and Recorder of Oxford. The King is pleased with their care in making stay of Langton, whose unwary tongue durst meddle with the censure of things so much above him, but considering his denial, person, and penitency, and the slight condition of his accusers, his Majesty is content to think his imprisonment has been a sufficient punishment. [*Draft.*]

Oct. 15. Ordnance Office. 42. Officers of the Ordnance to Nicholas. The Lords of the Admiralty having advertised Lord Vere, that his Majesty's pinnaces employed on the coast of Ireland are to be victualled upon the Revenue of Ireland, and required him to order such an increase of the proportions to be sent thither as should supply the said ships, they inclose a schedule of what provisions of munition may be made conveniently in Ireland, and what must be supplied from hence. Beg him to move the Lords to signify their pleasure thereon. *Inclosed,*

42. I. *The schedule above mentioned.*

Oct. 15. Arundel House. 43. Thomas Forster to the same. By his Lord's command intreats his favour on behalf of Mrs. Harpur, who is brought so low by Mr. Ward's vexatious suits that she can scarce find bread. He cannot or will not bring forth Mr. Howell, to whose oath she was content to submit her cause. She intreats Nicholas to make a speedy certificate to the Board.

Oct. 15. 44. Sir Guilford Slingsby to the same. By an inclosed letter from Capt. Gibbon, he will perceive how his gunner has misbehaved, and that the captain's resolution is, not to carry him to sea with him. If he have a warrant for his place, it is not reason he should be dismissed until he have answered for himself. If he have no warrant, another may well be put in his place for his presumption. In that case Sir Guilford will recommend an able, sufficient, and honest man.

Oct. 15. Fulham House. 45. Bishop Laud to Dr. Prideaux. Thanks for his readiness to join in upholding government in that famous University, whose flourishing shall ever be with the first and at the highest, in the Bishop's desires. For the particular *de accumulandis gradibus,* thanks him for his interposition. His desire is to propose nothing but what is just and honourable, and in such manner as no man of quality may have cause to except against. Mr. Bayly has forgotten himself to Mr. Vice-Chancellor, and not spared the Bishop, who pities his passion and shall pass it by for his father's sake. Hopes Bayly will make this his warning, else he will quickly make him know that the Bishop's proposals are far from tricks to catch him or others. Prideaux should chide him into better temper. P. S. in

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the Bishop's own hand. Begs him to be more careful of the Act Questions. The late question about the sickness was unseasonable. His Majesty took great distaste at it, and commanded the Bishop to write to Prideaux about it. This is a private advertisement which none knows but himself. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 15. 46. Bishop Laud to Dr. William Smith, Vice-Chancellor of Oxford. States his objections to the cumulation of degrees, but he thinks a time should have been prefixed before his views were put in execution, that so no man might be taken upon the sudden as Mr. Bayly and Mr. Hodges are reported to be. A long custom, though never so bad, should have a warning peal before its dissolution. Recommends him to call the heads together and settle everything as statute requires. [*Copy of a portion of the letter.*]

Oct. 16. 47. Philip Burlamachi to Sec. Dorchester. Sends a packet of foreign letters. Two of them are for the King, one from Hamburgh, the other from Amsterdam. No one has written to him. Spinola is at last dead, and his secretary for foreign languages has returned to Brussels. He had fallen into a frenzy. Fr.

Oct. 16. Hampton Court. 48. James Earl of Carlisle to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador at the Hague. The progress and want of conveniency of sending to him has made him thus long defer. They have had much discourse there of his negotiation and carriage, and both his master and friends are very well satisfied and acknowledge his dexterity, zeal, and judgment. He will find but little alteration in Court, and they expect to find none at all in him.

Oct. 16. Wokingham. 49. John Knight to Francis Windebank. Has perused, apparently, the draft of a lease to be granted by Windebank to Mr. Halsted. He is to pay "17*s.* 6*d.* for an ancient custom of Eyle silver."

Oct. 16. Tresmere, near Bodmin. 50. Sir Francis Godolphin to [Nicholas]. Particulars of a wreck which happened in the Islands of Scilly some years since are at length arrived in the main. A due appraisement and just account shall shortly be given in.

Oct. 16. The Mint. 51. Answer of the Officers of the Mint "to the calumnies of "Nicholas Briot, delivered in a petition to his Majesty, and referred to "Mr. Attorney General." They deny the truth of his allegation that they had not provided him with sufficient lodging for his instruments, workmen, and household, and pray that when he shall give notice to be fitted with his instruments, some judicious persons in those businesses may be joined with the officers of the Mint, to make report on the trial undertaken by him to be made.

Oct. 17. Eccleshall Castle. 52. Sir Charles Vavasour to Sec. Dorchester. Reminds him of a letter from the ever-honoured Queen of Bohemia on the writer's behalf. Understanding the Marquis of Hamilton is undertaking a charge for Sweden, and that there is other action afoot for Venice, he prays for employment.

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Oct. 17. Hampton Court. 53. Minutes by Nicholas of business to be considered at the next meeting for affairs of the Admiralty. The business comprised the dealing with the 23 Hollanders brought into Yarmouth by Capt. Sydenham; instructions for Capt. Plumleigh; Sir Thomas Walsingham's application for a new warrant; the intended sale of the St. John of Dunkirk to Frenchmen [ordered to be prevented]; Capt. Cooper's complaint against Mellow; Sir William Killigrew's complaint against Hum. Bonithon, Lieut. to Sir Francis Vivian, Keeper of St. Mawes' Castle; to consider of repairs of the forts at Milton and Gravesend.

Oct. 17. 54. Copy of part of the preceding.

Oct. 18. Hampton Court. 55. The King to Attorney General Heath. He was heretofore directed to prepare a pardon for William Grinkin, of a censure imposed upon him and one Gill in the Star Chamber. The King is now inclined to extend his mercy to them both, their cases not much differing. He is to prepare a pardon for both accordingly.

Oct. 18. Hampton Court. 56. The same to Sir William Balfour. Appointment as Lieutenant of the Tower void by the death of Sir Allen Apsley. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 18. Hampton Court. 57. The same to Henry Earl of Manchester, Oliver Viscount Grandison, Henry Viscount Falkland, and Edward Viscount Newburgh. The Lieutenancy of the Tower being void, the King has made choice of Sir William Balfour, one of the gentlemen of the Privy Chamber, to commit the same to him. They are accordingly to repair thither, and on view taken of such things as were in the late Lieutenant's charge, to deliver the same over to Sir William, with the present letters, and also to publish the King's pleasure to all inferior officers of the Tower, and command them to be obedient to him, and namely [especially] the gentleman porter to deliver him the keys. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 18. 58. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. The bill for a grant to the widow Kennedy (*see Vol.* clxiii., *No.* 22.), has been ready for the King's signature, but stayed at the instance of Sir James Fullerton, on behalf of one William Kennedy, who for name's sake made a claim. Since that time the young man has committed so great a fault that Sir James desires he should be sent out of the kingdom, but the Attorney General has mediated that he should have 40*l.* to defray his charge. Begs him now to prefer the bill to the King for his signature.

Oct. 18. Aboard the Convertive. 59. William Thomas, purser of the Convertive, to Nicholas. The Convertive has been ready to grave ever since the 5th of this month. Having no money the shipwrights could not proceed. They have lost the benefit of two springs. The next will be the 25th. Prays him to hasten the money. The victualler has paid 300*l.* towards their four months' victuals, so far as the money received Mr. Holt will go and no farther. The King is at charge of 240 men every day on the Convertive and Tenth Whelp.

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Oct. 18. Bristol. 60. William Willett and Robert Kitchen to Nicholas. Mr. Wright, one of the Commissioners for sale of the St. John of Dunkirk, is now in London, and will impart to him the whole particulars. Send an account of what has been taken out of the ship. It was done by those that long since went out of the ship, and are not to be found. What salt Sir Thomas Button had, they presume he will give a fair account of. The quantity landed out of the ship will be testified.

Oct. 19. 61. Edward Johnson to [the same]. Recommends —— Williams, gunner of the Esperance, for gunner of the Tenth Whelp, if the present gunner be dismissed.

Oct. 20. Hampton Court. 62. Sir Edmund Verney, Robert Tirwhitt, and Edward Sydenham, to Lord President Conway. The King had on their intercession agreed to show mercy to William Sneade, who for an unfortunate act has been banished his country these 17 or 18 years. Find that three or four years ago the Lord President stayed such a pardon. Pray him to withdraw his opposition.

Oct. 20, Kensford. 63. Thomas Windham to Edward Earl of Dorset, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen. Derrick Popley, of Bristol, sent down one Yeomans of the same place along Severn, on the English side, to buy up all the salt he could get. At Barnstable Yeomans pretended he had a fishing voyage, and went from merchant to merchant, and bought up above 700 bushels. At Watchet he and Jacob Andrewes of Bridgewater bought up the lading of two French ships. Salt has in consequence risen from 4*s.* 8*d.* to 15*s.* the bushel, to the great grievance of all people, and ruin of many poor fishers for herrings.

Oct. 20. Oxford. 64. Bishop Howson, of Durham, to Bishop Laud. Sends papers from which he may guess at the reason that moved the Lord President to solicit Bishop Laud for that prebend. (*See Vol.* clxxiv., *No.* 9.) The straight the writer is in arises from his desire to yield his poor kinsman some comfort for his many sufferings for the writer in body, estate, and good name, wherefore he gave him a promise under seal of his first prebend; again, there are his Majesty's letters, procured by Mr. Gib, for one Maxton, a Scottishman, who has already obtained a good benefice by the like letters, and is a very rich man, having increased his estate by secular means, as by farming Sherborne, and managing Mr. Gib's lands. But cannot deny Bishop Laud any contentment, especially this which may also give contentment to the Lord President. Leaves the matter in the hands of Bishop Laud, but begs he may not be pressed with the King's letters for the next prebend. Has sometimes pitied Smart on his protestation of future conformity. Conceives that so many innovations in Church service superstitiously urged, and displeasing to other men well affected, drove him into the most intolerable actions, for which it is reported he shall not be deprived, if the writer shall have power to dispose of his livings.

Oct. 20. 65. Kenrick Edisbury to Mr. Gibbon. Begs him to advertise "my Lord" that all the money to defray charges at Portsmouth for

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the Convertive and the Tenth Whelp, has been provided. The remainder is to buy stores to be sent from hence.

Oct. 20. 66. Inventory by William Drake, of tenths of the Gabriel of St. Giles, taken by the St. George, John Cooke, captain, and brought into Bristol, June 1629.

Oct. 20. 67. Presentments made by Thomas Steavens, *alias* Tincker, and John Godfrey, Churchwardens of Caerwent, co. Monmouth. They charge John Dowle, D.D., the vicar of Caerwent, with various omissions of clerical duty, and acts of immorality with many of his female parishioners.

Oct. 20. 68. Certificate of John Reynolds, master gunner of England, of the competency of Thomas Williams to serve gunner in any of his Majesty's ships.

Oct. 21. 69. Exchequer account of Receipts and Issues from the 14th October to this day. Among the payments are, Ja. Bradshaw, 25*l.*; Sir Stephen Lesieur, 25*l.*; Sir John Peyton, 196*l.* 15*s.* 1*d.* Total receipts, 1,348*l.* 17*s.* 5*d.*; payments, 2,739*l.* 0*s.* 7*d.*; remain, 738*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.*

Oct. 22. Croydon. 70. Archbishop Abbot to Sec. Dorchester. Praises God for the King's care for the residence of Bishops and others, whereof he purposes to give account at the time appointed, which is in the beginning of January. Being to have a consecration of the Bishop of Peterborough, he has been put to all his shifts to get Bishops thither, and what will become of it he cannot promise until Sunday next. Has been constrained to put it to the last day of the twenty, and has sent messengers from man to man, to require them on their canonical obedience to assist at that service. The fear of the pestilence and the dislocating of the Term, has so far put things out of order.

Oct. 22. 71. John West to the same. Thanks for favours to himself and his nephew, Capt. Sibthorpe. Begs him to further the latter with the King. He is the Sec.'s "vowed creature."

[Oct. 22.] 72. Petition of George Tayler, purser of the Assurance, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Being very infirm, prays that he may resign to Laurence Fisher.

Oct. 22. 73. George Tayler to Nicholas. Formerly wrote to him concerning the placing of John Hart as purser in the Assurance, in the writer's stead. Hart having relinquished the same, he now desires Nicholas to further the appointment of Laurence Fisher.

Oct. 22. 74. Kenrick Edisbury and Stephen Alcock to the same. Recommend Laurence Fisher to succeed George Tayler.

Oct. 23. Fort near Plymouth. 75. Sir James Bagg to the Lords of the Admiralty. On the 21st inst., six Dutch men-of-war cruising from the east Plymouthward, off Arme, a small port within three leagues of Plymouth,

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espied a Dunkirker at anchor. The Dunkirker, seeing the Dutchmen, put into Arme, where Mr. Pollexfen went aboard, and seized her to the King's use. After the ship had been divers hours aground, on the flood, the Dutchmen sent in three boats, turned ashore the English, and put to sea with the Dunkirker. Conceives they will think this an act of great boldness and unjustifiable, and will require satisfaction.

Oct. 23. Fort near Plymouth. 76. Sir James Bagg to Nicholas. Sends him the above letter, and begs him to press it as much as he can. The Dutch are bold both in doing wrong and seeking right. The Dunkirker was five hours in possession of his Majesty. The name of the Dutch captain is thought to be Quaster. The Dunkirk ship is the George, about 80 tons, six pieces, and four murderers, with 100 men.

Oct. 23. Hurst. 77. Margaret Lady Savile to Sec. Dorchester. Incloses a letter with a suit in behalf of her brother's daughter, Sir Thomas Dacres' sister. If he will join with Judge Jones, they are assured to obtain the place. If her nephew Dacre come home before the Sec. goes from Theobalds, he will be a suitor on his sister's behalf.

Oct. 24. 78. Petition of Daniel Gorsuch, merchant in London, to the Council. Petitioner shipped into Barbary, in the Harry of London, bound for Tetuan, ten tons of iron. Giles Penn, who carried letters from his Majesty to the Governor of the town, agreed to sell the iron, but it was afterwards sold by others, and the money made thereof returned in the same ship to London. Richard Berrisford, who had obtained a royal protection for Penn, pretending the produce of the iron to be the estate of Penn, has attached the same in the hands of the factors. Prays that Berrisford may be called before the Lords, and commanded to withdraw his attachment. *Underwritten,*

78. I. *Order for Berrisford to attend the Board on Friday next. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Oct.* 24.

Oct. 24. 79. Capt. Henry Skipwith to Sec. Dorchester. Being unwell, begs him to cause the writer's cousin, Matthew Carleton, or Dorchester's secretary, Mr. Lucas, to call upon him for the case and questions respecting the suit which he had lately preferred, and to carry them to Mr. Hadsor, of his Majesty's Council for Irish causes.

Oct. 24. From his house in Cardiff. 80. Sir Thomas Button to Nicholas. On Thursday last arrived in the road of Pennarth, having been ever since the last of September coming from Dublin, and so much beaten with storms that he has neither cables, sails, ropes, or ought else, and so much out of health as to be unable to travel. Hopes in ten days to deliver to the Lords a letter from the Lords Justices of Ireland, desiring that the pay of both Whelps and their supply of stores may be paid and furnished here, the pay until Michaelmas, and the stores for some months to come. Begs immediate order for graving and trimming his ship. Was stayed at Dublin three weeks, to waft over a ship which

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belongs to his Majesty, and whereof one Mr. Demetrius had the care. She was insufficiently supplied, and in a gale of wind she lost Button's ship, and bore up for Dublin. Begs speedy dispatch that he may haste back to Ireland. Hears that the Dunkirk ship that he brought in has been bestowed on others.

Oct. 24. Penshurst. 81. Robert Earl of Liecester to James Earl of Carlisle. The Earl of Carlisle is so noble in his favours, that if a man be not well provided of gratitude, there is danger in making a request to him. Thanks for his recent favour in giving the Earl of Leicester a lodging, both in his house and his heart. The Earl of Leicester has but one heart. There is but one room in it, and there come but few guests to be lodged there. They who are entertained are so at home as they may do what they will, and "as we say, [may] throw "the house out at the window." The Earl of Carlisle is there.

Oct. 24. 82. Distribution among the servants of Archbishop Abbot of 4*l.*, given by Dr. Piers, Bishop of Peterborough, at his consecration.

Oct. 25. 83. Account of Matthew de Quester for carriage of packets from foreign countries for his Majesty's service, from 7 April 1630 to this day. Total, 150*l.* 10*s.* [*Underwritten is a memorandum that on the* 2 *Nov.* 1630, 135*l.* *was allowed thereupon.*]

Oct. 25. Scadbury. 84. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Nicholas. Is glad to hear the Lords' resolution. Hereafter, let things go which way they will, he will not meddle. The 3rd of this month there was a great wreck of a Rotterdam ship, bound for Venice, on the coast of Kent, near the North Foreland, two miles from shore. Goods from this wreck, taken up by men that dwell in the writer's jurisdiction and presented in his courts, have been claimed by the Court of Admiralty, by which means the Duchess and himself shall lose their shares and the right of his place. Wishes advice thereon. All wrecks are granted to him in his patent.

Oct. 25. Exeter College. 85. Dr. John Prideaux to Bishop Land. Thanks him for undeserved favours, and trusts his future expressions will justify his thankfulness. They are all bound to praise God that the Bishop sets his thoughts to reform what is amiss among them. For cumulations, sees not what could be more deliberately set down than his last advertisement. Mr. Bayly accounts himself made by the Bishop's goodness. He has been well chid, and acknowledged his folly. That untoward question at the last Act was never approved by the writer in those terms it passed. Will take care that hereafter no such occasion of exception be given. Tenders to his consideration the neglect of divinity disputations for term these five years past, and the proceeding of divers in law of late to the prejudice of divinity.

Oct. 25. 86. Inventory and appraisement of goods taken up by John Snedall and Richard Punnett out of a wreck within the Vice-Admiralty of Kent; total value, 50*l.* 5*s.*

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Oct. 25. 87. Indictment found at a Sessions held at Pool [Welshpool], in co. Montgomery, against Charles Griffith, for the murder of John Owen, at Newtown, in that county.

Oct. 26. 88. Petition of Thomas Ivett, late master gunner of the Crane, to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Crane being sold, and he the ancientest gunner that belongs to his Majesty, prays that he may be continued in pay until some other place fall void. [*Indorsed, "Thos. Ivett to be gunner in Warham Sconce."*]

Oct. 26. Hampton Court. 89. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. Moved his gracious master for leave to put himself into the hands of Dr. Mayerne, to finish the course of physic he was in, which having obtained, he is going to Langley. If there be occasion for his service, hopes he shall be able to come at a short warning. Good wishes for the Sec. and his noble lady.

Oct. 27. Portsmouth. 90. William Thomas, Purser of the Convertive, to Nicholas. The Convertive and Tenth Whelp cannot be victualled for four months, according to the order to Mr. Holt, because the money remitted is only for three months. Begs him to let the Lord Treasurer know so much, if his captain be not in town, to whom he has written.

Oct. 28. 91. Petition of Edward Boys, of Bunnington, co. Kent, to the King. Petitioner's son and heir, John Boys, being at Canterbury, one Thomas Alcock, "an infirm person, resorting ordinarily to stran-"gers' company," most uncivilly provoked him with such insufferable language as young men who have seen the wars can very hardly digest, and which incited petitioner's son to give him a blow on the head, of which he died. The coroner's inquest has found petitioner's son guilty of manslaughter. Prays that he may taste of his Majesty's clemency, dispensed on the birth of the Prince. *Underwritten,*

91. I. *Reference to the Mayor and Recorder of Canterbury to certify the truth of the circumstances. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Oct.* 28.

91. II. *Report of the Mayor and Recorder of Canterbury. They send copies of the coroner's inquest and grand jury, whereby it appears that John Boys is guilty of manslaughter. Canterbury,* 1630, *Nov.* 4.

91. III. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare the solicited pardon. Whitehall,* 1630, *Nov.* 15.

Oct. 28. 92. Petition of Ralph Killinghall, ensign to Capt. William Halls, to the same. A little before the last voyage to Rochelle petitioner was married to Mary Hutchins, he not remembering that he was contracted to Elizabeth Pressith [Presick]. Since his return, Elizabeth Pressith had so prevailed with him, by reason of the pre-contract, that he had made her his wife, whereupon Mary Hutchins had prosecuted the law against him, and he is now convict and condemned.

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In consideration of his services, and his descent from the house of Manners of Rutland, prays for a pardon. *Underwritten,*

92. I. *Certificate of Sir Heneage Finch, the Recorder, which sets forth the circumstances of the petitioner's two marriages, and recommends him for mercy.* 1630, *Oct.* 28.

92. II. *Direction to the Attorney General to prepare the solicited pardon. Whitehall,* 1630, *Nov.* 15.

Oct. 28. Hampton Court. 93. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a pardon for John Hurst, late of the Inner Temple, Esquire, convicted by his own confession of manslaughter in killing Bartiue [Bertie ?] Haselrig.

Oct. 28. 94. Petition of William Daynes and Roger Daynes, his son, to the King. Roger Daynes had the loan of 10 drakes, with their carriages, belonging to the King, which came to 229*l.*, for which petitioners gave bond for 300*l.* By means of these drakes petitioners brought in three prizes, of the value of 7,000*l.*, the benefit whereof came to the King, but by casualty of the sea petitioners lost their two ships and the said drakes, to their utter undoing. Their whole estate is now extended, and Roger Daynes is in durance in consequence of his inability to return the borrowed drakes. Petitioners pray that under the circumstances they may be freed from their said bond. *Underwritten,*

94. I. *Reference to the Master and Lieutenant of the Ordnance to certify what they think fit for his Majesty to do. Hampton Court,* 1630, *Oct.* 28.

Oct. 28. 95. Henry Earl of Kent and Thomas Earl of Cleveland, Lord Lieutenants of co. Bedford, to the Council. The plague has been so generally dispersed through that county that they have hitherto forborne the training of the companies of horse and foot.

Oct. 28. Lambeth. 96. Archbishop Abbot to Sec. Dorchester. Reports what became of their consecration at Croydon on Sunday last. The Bishop of Winchester took the pains to see them, and Oxford also, the latter being called from home by authority. Rochester was in the summer time beat from his house at Bromley by the plague, but the Archbishop sent for him up out of Berkshire. St. David's also, being in London, was sent for, but had like to have sunk down in a swoon in the chapel. Has no return from the Bishops but that his Majesty's Injunctions are well observed. The Bishop of Ely is very sick of the dropsy in London, whither he is forced to come up for help of the physicians. Durham will be accounted for by the Archbishop of York.

Oct. 29. Whitehall. 97. Abstract of a Commission [from the King] to Anthony Wither and Samuel Lively to repair into the cos. of Gloucester, Wilts, Oxon, and Somerset, and the several places there where white cloth is usually made, and there to notify the Commission and inquire in a manner therein directed how the statutes for true cloth-making are executed.

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Oct. 29. 98. Petition of Sir William Saunderson to the Council. A few years since, petitioner being not well stored with ready money, was forced to take up of Richard Mawdet [Mauduit?], silkman, certain wares at an unconscionable rate, to the value of 46*l.*, for which he gave bond. Afterwards, petitioner assigned over to Mawdet two debentures of greater value than the debt, but Mawdet would not wait until his Majesty's occasions could permit the debentures to be paid, but arrested and imprisoned petitioner, although he knew he was the King's servant. Mawdet was thereupon committed by the Marquis Hamilton, but petitioner, on Mawdet's entreaty, procured his release on his delivering up petitioner's bond and executing a release. Mawdet having lately petitioned the Council, and petitioner having been ordered to show cause, he now prays to be dismissed from further attendance. *Underwritten,*

98. I. *Order of the Council that if Mawdet shall further petition, the Clerk of the Council shall put the Lords in mind of this answer of Sir William Saunderson.*

Oct. 29. Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 99. Certificate of proceedings of the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, as Commissioners for conservancy of the Tyne, from Easter to Michaelmas 1630.

Oct. 29. Langley. 100. Lord President Conway to William Weld. Directs him to use all the Lord President's influence to procure Sir Giles Bray and the Lord President's cousin Maxwell to be omitted from the bill of Sheriffs. Prays him to examine the houses, the Lady of Orgilles [Argyle's?] and the Lady Davesses [Davis's], and help the writer to resolve which to prefer. Will send a coach to Richmond on the morrow for money business. Weld knows his distress. Wishes to be informed whether he will have the leases for Ireland sent by the next opportunity.

Oct. 29. 101. Sir Thomas Roe to Sir Robert Anstruther. It is thought that our peace with Spain is made. The articles sent from hence [thence?] were corrected by his Majesty, and returned signed with a peremptory order to change nothing. Believes the success of the war or peace in Italy will guide them. Discussion in Court on an article of the treaty of Ratisbon between France and Spain, that the French have renounced their alliances, and by name the King of Sweden. That King does not rely upon the French, and it matters not much what they do, for a bigotry governs them, and Roe is persuaded that all leagues with any papist-blinded estate are Egyptian reeds, and that all their inward counsels are directed to root out our religion. Our Court is constant. The Lord Treasurer only is able to open and shut. He is Anstruther's friend, and will be publicly obliged to him if he will make peace. Roe himself has let fall an anchor in the country, and has as little belief of preferment as ambition. These are not times for him and his rules. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 29. St. Martin's Lane. 102. The same to the Queen of Bohemia. Knows now less than when he thought he knew nothing. Next year will be a blab and tell all, and we shall know who is cozened. Now the jugglers are in high action at Ratisbon, where he wishes they may not

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mistake the medicine of peace and make rat's-bane for us all proscribed heretics. No plays these six months, and that makes our statesmen see the good use of them. If our heads had been filled with the loves of Pyramus and Thisbe, or the various fortunes of Don Quixote, we should never have cared who had made peace or war, but on the stage. Now every fool is inquiring what the French do in Italy, and what they treat in Germany. Perhaps Sir John Finet, as Master of Ceremonies, can say more to her Majesty. Roe finds it safe enough to be her Majesty's fool. If she laughs at him, it is all he asks.

Oct. 29. 103. Sir Edward Bagshaw to Endymion Porter. Sir James Ware, his Majesty's auditor, has informed the writer that no sum being set down in the estimate of the customs for Porter's "tenth and a "half from his Majesty," he must expect no more thenceforth, although the customs should improve.

Oct. 29. 104. Particular of the first works intended to be done for repairing the Vanguard at Woolwich, according to a schedule dated 1st of May last. Sum agreed for doing the work, 530*l.*

Oct. 29. 105. Exchequer account of Receipts and Issues from 21 Oct. inst. to this day. Among the payments is 118*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* paid to Colman, Brown, and others, in all 13, knights of Windsor, in sums of 9*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* each. The receipts amounted to 3,038*l.* 7*s.* 7½*d.*; the payments to 2,964*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.*; there remained in hand 812*l.* 9*s.* 4½*d.* [*Damaged by damp.*]

Oct. 30. 106. Statement by Roger Langford of the office and duty of the Clerk of the Prick and Check at Deptford, as the same was executed by Philip Ellis.

Oct. 30. 107. Copy of the preceding, with an underwritten confirmatory certificate of Edward Dalton, who served from 1577 to 1599, as clerk to William Holstock and William Borough, Comptrollers of the Navy. [*Copy.*]

Oct. 30. 108. Another copy, similar to the preceding.

Oct. 109. Petition of the distressed prisoners in the King's Bench and Fleet for debt, to the King. Queen Elizabeth granted a commission to the Archbishop of Canterbury and other dignified officers and their successors for release of poor prisoners for debt. In July last the King caused her said act to be exemplified, but the said Commissioners have not yet executed their commission, although moved to do so by the prisoners. Pray that they may be commanded to do so.

Oct. 110. Petition of Robert Kemp, of Chenston [Chaunston], co. Hereford, to the same. Petitioner being young, and having occasion to resort to London, was seduced to marry Elizabeth Cooke, a woman of mean condition, his former wife being yet living. Prays a pardon.

[Oct. ?] 111. Petition of Sem Whitton, Innholder of Bristol, to the Council. For many years the house where petitioner dwells has been resorted to by carriers, with a great number of horses. Prays, that notwith-

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standing the proclamation of 28 Sept. last, he may have liberty to buy in cos. Somerset and Gloucester 50 lasts of wheat, oats, and beans, he giving security to expend the same in his own house.

[Oct. ?] 112. Dr. John Moseley to the Council. Having discovered some special means whereby the differences in Church and State might be composed, his desire was to have opened himself to the King, but his Majesty having referred the matter to the Council, the writer scruples about revealing his proposals to that body, considering from its nature that to do so would ensure the frustration of his scheme. Before another Parliament be called the King should enjoin a public fast.

[Oct. ?] 113. [Lords of the Admiralty] to the Officers of the Navy. To enter John Johnson as boatswain of the Nonsuch, in the room of Henry Place. [*Draft. Indorsed are notes by Nicholas, apparently with a view to the preparation of some paper relating to an encroachment on the King's sovereignty of the Narrow Seas.*]

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Nov. 1. Whitehall. 1. Minute of application of Samuel Avery, one of the Merchant Adventurers at Delft, for a warrant for payment to Richard Bateman, his partner, of the sum of 120*l.*, taken up of Avery in the year 1627, by Edward Clarke, since deceased, to defray the charges of certain engineers sent from the United Provinces into England, according to his Majesty's direction.

Nov. 1. Fonthill. 2. James Lord Audley to his father, Mervin Earl of Castlehaven. Remonstrates with him on his parental unkindness. The Earl's own dear branches hang down their heads to see their sap and livelihood conferred upon another. In this monstrous change of a father into an enemy the writer craves pardon if he appeals from the Earl to the father of their country—the King's Majesty. The writer never went about to abridge the Earl's bounty to a well-deserving follower, but desires him not to strike out the difference betwixt a servant and a son. 'Tis a fearful judgment to be a prisoner to bestial affections and lusts, or to think to blot out lesser sins by writing greater in their places. Prays that God will give him grace to love himself, and then the writer doubts not to share therein; till then he despairs.

Nov. 2. Westminster. 3. Justices of Peace for Westminster, and among them, Inigo Jones, to [the Council]. Report the steps taken by them to prevent the spread of the disease. They describe the several measures of shutting up, indicating, and guarding the houses of sick people; the burial of the dead by night, or at very early morning; and the visitation of the houses preparatory to their being reopened. They also return a list of persons who have been disobedient to authority; that is, have uttered reproachful speeches against the Justices for shutting up houses, or have broken out of houses closed on account of infection. *Inclosed,*

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3. I. *Note of the conduct of Ellen Fauster since the preceding letter was signed. She went abroad with a rising upon her which was adjudged to be the plague, and was set in the stocks for a punishment.*

Nov. 2. 4. Petition of Capt. Thomas March to the Council. His Majesty having lent the Fourth Lion's Whelp, for securing the trade of King's Lynn, Boston, Wells, and Burnham, petitioner prays payment of certain extra disbursements, made by him whilst in command of that ship, and also the Council's letters on his behalf to the Mayor and others of Boston.

Nov. 2. 5. Copy of the same petition, with a statement of reasons on its behalf.

Nov. 2. 6. Henry Earl of Holland to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador to the States. Anxiety of the writer to deserve his favour and remembrance. Shortly expects his return, when he will find "the "Sheualier" ready to reproach him for the intelligence concerning the ill conditions of their peace, which he conceives to be much for their advantage.

Nov. 2. Whitehall. 7. Sir Robert Aiton to the same. Whatsoever he is doing abroad, they have made a universal peace at home. In Court he will find none of those jars between great ones that either were when he went away, or have been begun since; all are quieted, and, as they hope, extinguished.

Nov. 2. London. 8. Thomas Blechenden to the same. On 17th October, the Earl of Bedford countermanded former directions for the writer to see his two sons to Leyden, because the Lord Treasurer had made some alteration in the business of the Fens, which reason of delay is to the writer a mystery. Would have waited upon Sir Henry as chaplain, but was informed from "my Lady" that Mr. Vane had gone over in that capacity. If Sir Henry commands the writer to attend him in the States, begs the favour of a previous letter to the Bishop of London. Congratulations on the birth of a son. P.S. dated the next day adds, that a fresh letter from the Earl of Bedford explains that the stoppage in the business of the Fens arises out of a misunderstanding of Vermuyden's former proceedings; but he is well esteemed here, and the business of draining is now conceived so feasible, that the Earl will have sharers sufficient in England to carry him through that vast undertaking. He will reserve a considerable quantity of acres for Sir Henry.

Nov. 2. 9. Certificates of Leonard Thompson and Kenrick Edisbury in favour of Robert Hall, formerly cook of the Triumph, and afterwards of the Rainbow, to be cook of the St. Claude.

Nov. 2. 10. Bill in Chancery of Sir John Lambe of Rothwell, co. Northampton, against Richard Stockwell and Margaret Randes, for the delivery over to Sir John of a security taken by Stockwell from Thomas Randes, deceased, for 30*l.* advanced by Sir John. [*Copy.*]

Nov. 2. 11. Draft of the Bill in Chancery above mentioned.

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Nov. 3. Whitehall. 12. Orders set down by the King and Council to be observed in assemblies of Council. Among the regulations it is provided that the Lords are to be warned to meet by order of the Lord President, or one of the Secs. of State. When warned, every councillor is to attend or send his excuse. The councillors of ordinary course are to meet on Wednesdays and Fridays, in the afternoon, for dispatch of business. When three Lords are assembled the room is to be cleared. Petitioners are to be admitted to deliver their petitions at the upper end of the table, kneeling. When the Lords are set, the Lord President, or one of the Secs. of State, is to acquaint the Council with the cause of meeting. In debate there is to be freedom and secrecy, everyone is to speak with respect to the other, and no offence to be taken for any free advice, but as little discourse is to be used as may be. The Lords are to speak uncovered. In voting, the lowest councillor in place is to begin; no publication is to be made how the particular voices went. Only two clerks of the Council to be present at the sittings of the Council, whereof the clerk whose month it is to wait is to be one, and the clerk that waited the last month to attend with him the first week at least, and the clerk next in succession to attend one week before his waiting. When the King is present, no clerk of the Council is to be present except he be called, or unless it be at the hearing of a public cause. [*Entered on the Council Register under date of* 1630, *Nov.* 8; *Reg. Car. I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 152.]

Nov. 3. 13. Sir Richard Harrison to Sec. Dorchester. A motion for good marriage for the writer's son having been set on foot in London, the writer intreats the Sec.'s favour with Mr. Attorney, who is a principal man that may strike a stroke in that business, but it is said he is like to speak one word for Sir Richard and two for his own son. Mr. Trumbull has promised to solicit this business, having good acquaintance with the friends of the young gentlewoman.

Nov. 3. Lisneygarvey. 14. Edward Lord Conway to William Weld. Lord Cork does not scoff at Weld, but like a good workman considers every material that is good for his building. The writer wishes he could find out a good design for an iron work. Will put Mr. Richardson on making one. Begs him to remember the legend for the Lord Primate. John May is not yet come.

Nov. 3. 15. Petitions of allowances demanded by Matthew Francis, feodary of co. Lancaster, for four years ending at the Feast of St. Martin the Bishop in winter, [Nov. 11] 1629, allowed this day, with many deductions, by Sir Robert Naunton. The charge for finding an office after death varied from 40*s.* to 60*s.*, apparently in proportion to the property which came to the Crown; the allowance for an annual journey to London to pass the accounts, which in this case occupied eight days, was 3*l.*

Nov. 4. Westminster. Licence to William Smyth and Thomas Lewin, his Majesty's coachmen, during their lives, to import from abroad coach-horses, duty free. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 19.]

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Nov. 4. Westminster. Grant to David Ramsey, for 14 years, of the exclusive privilege of extracting gold and silver out of other metals by a newly-invented process, paying to the King one-third of the profits after the first year; as also a grant of the Mines Royal in cos. York and Somerset and part of Devon, for 21 years, yielding to the King a tenth of the profits after two years. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 20.]

[Nov. 4?] 16. Mayor and others of Exeter to the Council. At Rouen, being their principal place of trade in France, a multitude of 3,000 people endeavoured to seize upon the Cloth Hall, where the English goods were, and being prevented seized upon a ship laden with woollen cloth, and burnt and spoiled their lading to the value of 3,000*l.* The rule and government in those parts so much regards justice that the writers are emboldened to acquaint the Council with an accident which may tend to the prejudice of trade. A pinnace of Exeter has taken a ship of Rouen bound for Lisbon. She is brought into Topsham, where her goods have been embezzled, the company stripped of their clothes, and their moneys taken from them, which they estimate at 300*l.* If this course be permitted it will so greatly incense the French as to stop all trade.

Nov. 4. 17. Petition of Henry Drayton to the Lords of the Admiralty. Served gunner under his late father, who died gunner of the Honour. Had been gunner of the Phœnix. Prays for a similar appointment in the Triumph.

Nov. 4. 18. Certificate of John Reynolds, the master gunner, that Henry Drayton was an able man to serve the King by sea or land.

Nov. 4. 19. Petition of Richard Wood to the Lords of the Admiralty. For the gunner's place of Waddon [Warham] sconce, void by the decease of Thomas Burley. *Annexed,*

19. I. *Certificate of John Reynolds, the master gunner, that Richard Wood is an able man for a small charge.*

Nov. 4. 20. Affidavit of John Williams, of Topsham, mariner, that Mr. Richards, of Exeter, was owner of the Virgin, whereof Edward Limbery was master. She was laden with corn for Limerick or Galway, but was taken between the Lizard and the Land's End by a ship of the Governor of Brest, and carried into that harbour. [*Office copy.*]

Nov. 5. Westminster. Pardon to Robert Kemp for marrying Elizabeth Cooke, his former wife being still living. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 21.]

Nov. 5. Westminster. Grant of instalment to Dr. Piers, Bishop of Peterborough, of the first fruits of that Bishopric, to be paid by equal portions in four years. [*Ibid., No.* 22.]

Nov. 5. Westminster. Confirmation of an assignment made by James Marquis of Hamilton, heir and administrator of the late James Marquis of

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Hamilton, to John Bland and others, for the term of four years, of a pension of 2,500*l.*, granted by King James to the late James Marquis of Hamilton, to be paid out of the pretermitted customs. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 23.]

Nov. 5. Penheal. 21. Justices of Peace of co. Devon to the Council. According to their directions, on behalf of Edmund Yeo, his wife and children, had called before them Leonard Yeo, the younger, Digory Penfoun, Arthur Arscott, John Yeo, and Leonard Treys, but at a first meeting they brought their accounts imperfect, and at a second meeting made answer, that they would give in their accounts in Chancery, whence they might receive a discharge. Edmund Yeo claims under a conveyance made by Leonard Yeo, his father, to the gentlemen before named, in trust to pay his debts and provide for the maintenance of his son Edmund and his family. Recommend Edmund Yeo to their commiseration. *Inclosed,*

21. I. *Complaints exhibited to Edmund Yeo.*

Nov. 5. Southwark. 22. Certificate of Justices of Peace for Southwark. Report the cases of persons who, having disobeyed the directions for stay of the infection, had been punished or bound over to appear at the sessions.

Nov. 5. 23. Articles of peace, intercourse, and commerce, concluded between Charles I. and Philip IV., of Spain. Translated out of Latin into English, and printed at London by Robert Barker. 4to. [*Prefixed is the King's proclamation of the peace, dated* 1630, *Dec.* 5.]

Nov. 6. Westminster. Licence to the East India Company to export 30,000*l.* in gold, in divers ships which they purpose in their next voyage to send into Persia and the Indies. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 24.]

Nov. 6. Westminster. Grant of protection to Sir Anthony Thomas for one year. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 25.]

Nov. 6. 24. Justices of Peace for Middlesex to the Council. Return the names of persons who had been guilty of breach of orders during the time of the late visitation of the plague. Among those mentioned is William Thompson, of Edgeware, who, being constable of that parish when the place was much visited with the disease, deserted the same, without appointing a deputy, whereby much disorder followed.

Nov. 6. Langley. 25. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. The writer's son, Sir William Smith, is in the bill of Essex, and in danger to be pricked Sheriff. The death of his wife has made him altogether unfit for such employment. Begs the Sec. if there be cause to move his Majesty to spare him at this time.

Nov. 6. Wallingford House. 26. Lord Treasurer Weston to Sir Robert Pye, Auditor of the Receipt of the Exchequer, Sir Edward Wardour, Clerk of the Pells, and all other officers of the said Court. To levy various tallies

amounting in the whole to 11,000*l.*, and charge the same to Sir James Bagg on his privy seal of 26,491*l.* 0*s.* 3¾*d.*, dated 31 August last. [*Copy.*]

Nov. 6. London. 27. Dr. John Moseley to Sec. Dorchester. Has deeply pondered on his doubt or scruple, and cannot resolve otherwise than he had done already. Could have wished that by the Sec.'s means he might have obtained that favour from the Lord Chamberlain that he has so often desired, and for which the Lord Treasurer has been a suitor. Great discouragement to him that he cannot prevail. Hopes he may now take liberty to leave the City and return home.

Nov. 7. Whitehall. 28. Orders of the King in Council to be observed in assemblies of Council. [*These are the same orders which are already calendared under the date of Nov.* 3 (*No.* 12). *In both cases the dates are quite clear, whilst the date in the Council Register, as before observed, is Nov.* 8. *Co. Reg. Car. I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 152.]

Nov. 7. 29. Copy of the preceding.

Nov. 7. 30. Another copy, indorsed by Sec. Coke. In this copy the order No. 22, which is the last but one in the preceding copies, is not inserted. The same order was also subsequently inserted in the copy entered in the Council Register. It is to the effect that councillors appointed on a Committee, and being absent thrice without sufficient excuse, are to be put out of that Committee by his Majesty's order, and he requires one of the Secs. to give him notice of such default.

Nov. 7. 31. Sir Henry Mervyn, Stephen Alcock, Kenrick Edisbury, and Sir Kenelm Digby to Nicholas. Certify that the sufficiency of Richard Hooker to be purser of the Adventure, is without exception.

Nov. 8. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Agmondesham Pickayes, his Majesty's goldsmith, 68*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* for fine gold and silver for making spangles for the coats of his Majesty's footmen, eight in number, and whose names are stated. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 26.]

Nov. 8. Westminster. Confirmation to George Holme, clerk, of the Rectory of Bredshall in the diocese of Lichfield and Coventry, to which he was presented by two of the Committees of Sir John Harpur, during his wardship. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 27.]

Nov. 8. 32. Capt. Henry Skipwith to Sec. Dorchester. On behalf of his son. The reference from his Majesty may question his adversary beyond the writer's desire, experience telling him that a paymaster can hardly stand clear, if an indifferent eye look upon his actions. He may blemish the writer's son with the name of a promoter, which he is not, but distracted through poverty and disgrace undeserved. Mr. Calandrini might render him his right, and so silence all further noise, but that cannot be done without the Sec.'s power.

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Nov. 8. Mincing Lane. 33. Officers of the Navy to Nicholas. Information being made by the Clerk of the Check at Woolwich, that the ships and stores there are without means of defence, as halberts, bills, or other weapons, pray a warrant to the Officers of the Ordnance for supply of the same.

Nov. 8. 34. Inventory by Sir John Drake, of Tenths of prize ships brought into Minehead, co. Somerset, Lyme Regis and Weymouth, co. Dorset.

Nov. 8. Whitehall. The Lords of the Admiralty to Capt. Richard Plumleigh, Captain of the Convertive. Instructions for him in his employment to the southward, together with the Tenth Lion's Whelp, under Captain Gibbon. He is to repair in a straight course to Cadiz, and thence to bring Sir Francis Cottington and his train to England. Having landed Sir Francis he is to repair to Portsmouth or the Downs, and give the Lords speedy notice of his arrival. [*See Dom. Car. I., Vol.* clvii., *fo.* 111 *b.*]

Nov. 9. Hall. 35. Justices of Peace for Cornwall to the Council. Having lately received the proclamation and book of instructions for restraining forestallers, they had called the country before them and acquainted them with his Majesty's commands. Being informed that before the receipt of the proclamation there had been carried away out of the county about 5,000 bushels of corn and wheat, which had caused a great dearth, and that Richard Snelling and Thomas Snelling were offenders in that kind, they had bound them to appear before the Council, and inclosed their confessions and recognizances. *Inclosed,*

35. I. *Separate examinations of Richard Snelling and Thomas Snelling, both of Plymouth, brewers. Richard admitted having bought* 1,000 *bushels of corn, and Thomas* 500 *bushels, before the same had been brought into any market.* 1630, *Nov.* 3.

35. II. *Recognizance entered into by Richard Snelling and Thomas Snelling conditioned for their appearance before the Council on the* 22*nd inst.* 1630, *Nov.* 3.

35. III. *Reasons that the ingrossers and forestallers of corn and salt in Cornwall give for their purchases, with answers thereto. They alleged that the purchases were made for the shipping of Plymouth in the Newfoundland voyage. It was replied that that shipping might be fully supplied in their own county of Devon, where all things were plentiful, and that the result of these purchases had been to raise the price of salt in Cornwall from two or three shillings a bushel to* 14*s., so that people could not have wherewith to save their fish or flesh; and the price of corn, which within three months was sold for* 6*s. a bushel, to* 12*s.*

Nov. 9. Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. 36. Dr. Henry Butts, Vice-Chancellor, to Henry Earl of Holland, Chancellor of the University of Cambridge. The University has presented to a benefice in the gift of a recusant convict, Mr. Sumpter of Clare Hall, who, though possessed, is many ways dis-

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turbed by indirect practices. They have framed a petition to his Majesty, which they pray him to present and support, and to hear what Mr. Love can say therein. The Earl cannot express his love, and care, and zeal, more behovefully than by bringing to some certainty their litigious titles. It might easily be done if his Majesty with the advice of his judges would make an interpretation concerning those titles.

Nov. 10. Westminster. 37. Privy Seal directed to the Receiver General for Surrey, to pay an allowance of 50*l.* per annum, granted to Ralph Maddison, keeper of Battles Walk, *alias* Battles Bailiwick, in the Forest of Windsor, for provision of hay and increase of keepers' wages, by privy seal dated 1628, Nov. 19.

Nov. 10. 38. Petition of Dame Lucy Apsley, late wife of Sir Allen Apsley, to the Council. By order of 29th September last, Sir John Wolstenholme and others were authorized to call before them the creditors of Sir Allen Apsley, and to consider how they might be satisfied. The accounts of Sir Allen for five years cannot be stated, in respect that Mr. Burrell, who was to do the same, as Comptroller of the Navy, is lately dead. Prays that Sir Richard Sutton, one of the Auditors of the Imprest, and a Commissioner of the Navy, with the assistance of George Bingley, may be authorized to prepare the same. *Underwritten,*

38. I. *Order of Council for preparation of the same accounts according to the prayer of the above petition. Whitehall,* 1630, *Nov.* 10.

Nov. 10. 39. Petition of the poor Fishermen of Faversham in Kent, to the same Petitioners and their families to the number of 400 have no other means of living but by fishing and dredging of oysters in the river belonging to the town. For 70 years and upwards it has been usual for Flemish vessels to come into the said river to buy oysters. By reason of a newly exacted sum of 20*s.* by Sir Thos. Walsingham, from each Flemish vessel lading oysters there, petitioners have been much impoverished, and now a total restraint of such trading has beeen procured. Prays to be allowed to barter their oysters as formerly. *Underwritten,*

39. I. *Reference to the Lords of the Admiralty to settle such order herein as shall be most fit and convenient. Whitehall,* 1630, *Nov.* 10.

Nov. 10. Rochester. 40. Certificate of the Mayor and others of Rochester to the Lords of the Admiralty, of the good character of John Rockwell, their neighbour.

Nov. 10. Cecil House. 41. Edward Viscount Wimbledon to Sec. Dorchester. Beseeches him to bring with him to the Council that day the petition for the poor. Has sent him also the writer's petition for cordage, to which he prays him to give a dispatch. One will wait upon him, who is appointed to follow the petition of the town of Portsmouth.

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Nov. 11. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Richard Bateman, partner with Samuel Avery, Merchant Adventurer at Delft, 120*l.* for money taken up of Avery by Edward Clarke, and by him disbursed to certain engineers who were to be brought out of the Low Countries for the King's service. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 28.]

Nov. 11. 42. Order for the apprehension of Alexander Leighton, a Scottish man born, who was lately sentenced by the Court of Star Chamber to pay a great fine, and to undergo corporal punishment, for publishing a very libellous book against the King and his government, and had this day escaped out of the Fleet. He is of low stature, fair complexion; hath a yellowish beard and high forehead, and is between 40 and 50 years of age. [*Printed.*]

Nov. 11. 43. Account of moneys in arrear to the posts. Up to the end of December 1625, the amount due was 12,204*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*, and from thence to the end of Sept. 1630, 16,332*l.* 13*s.* 1*d.* From the first of these sums there had been paid, under a warrant to Lord Stanhope, master of the posts, several sums amounting to 3,001*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.*, which left the total arrear at this time 25,535*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.*

Nov. 12. Whitehall. 44. The Council to Bishop Laud. The King, foreseeing the present scarcity, by a late proclamation, required that there should be an abstinence from flesh on Fridays, and no suppers kept on fasting nights in inns and victualling houses. That proclamation contains no new thing, but points directly to laws in force for keeping of fasting days, as in 2nd and 3rd Edward VI., cap. 19, and 5th and 6th of the same King, cap. 3, and certain statutes of Queen Elizabeth. The King's care in that behalf is so much contemned in inns and such like places, as seems very strange to his Majesty and this Board; for reformation whereof the Council have given directions to the Mayor of London, and the Justices of the Peace of Westminster and the nearest counties, and it is his Majesty's pleasure that the ecclesiastical court shall take effectual order that the offenders be punished in the manner expressed in the last-mentioned statute of Edward VI.

Nov. 12. 45. List of the Master Printers of London, with a sum placed against each of their names in the handwriting of Bishop Laud, and headed, "To S. Paul's;"—to the repair of Saint Paul's. The sums assessed run from 6*l.* George Miller, to 20*l.* Felix Kingston, Adam Islip, and Bernard Alsop, and 40*l.* William Jones.

Nov. 13. Westminster. Charter of Incorporation of the Borough of Leicester, confirming all their ancient chartered privileges, and extending the same to several parts of parishes near adjoining. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 29.]

Nov. 13. 46. Petition of Sir John Wentworth to the King. The King conferred on petitioner a prize ship and pinnace, called the Notre Dame and the St. Peter, with all their ordnance and furniture. Before the grant passed the seals, the Commissioners for sale of Prize ships sold the Notre Dame for 200*l.* Prays that the

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Treasurer of the Navy may pay the 200*l.* to petitioner, and the Commissioners give him possession of the ship and pinnace, he giving such satisfaction to the buyer as they shall think fit.

Nov. 13. Chester. 47. William Earl of Derby to the Council. Sends certificate of proceedings of his Dep. Lieuts. of co. Chester, in pursuance of their directions of the last of June. *Inclosed,*

47. I. *Dep. Lieuts. of co. Chester to William Earl of Derby, Lord Lieutenant. They had mustered and exercised the trained soldiers of that county for several days, in the hundreds in which they lived. Had taken special care to observe the directions of the Council. They had done what in them lay to augment the number of the horse; they cannot find any other gentlemen to charge.* 1630, *Oct.* 18.

Nov. 13. 48. Petition of Hugh Grove, one of the Deputies for making Saltpetre, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Bought a great quantity of sea coals at Ipswich for his Majesty's service, and found in the same town certain empty outhouses and yards, which he desired to hire to bestow his coals therein. The owners refused to let the same, and the Bailiffs thought it concerned them not to meddle. Prays them to take order concerning the parties contemning his Majesty's and their authority.

Nov. 13. 49. Petition of the Shipwrights in ordinary at Chatham to the same. Some of the petitioners have served 30 years, some more, some less, and are "the necessariest men belonging to the Navy," yet are they now put from their employment, and turned to seek a new, and their means likewise unpaid them. Pray that they may have their former constant employment, and their year's arrear of pay due at Lady-day last.

Nov. 13. 50. Petition of John Wriothesley, purser of the Vanguard, to the same. The difference between petitioner and John Wright being referred to the Officers of the Navy, Wright taking advantage of petitioner's long sickness has procured a certificate against him without any deliberate hearing. Prays the Lords to hear the business or order a Commission out of the Admiralty Court to examine witnesses on oath, and then proceed to censure as shall be deserved.

Nov. 13. 51. Petition of Robert Smyth, messenger attendant on the Lords of the Admiralty, to the same. Has attended the late Lord Admiral and the Commissioners these five years and never received any reward for the same. Prays them to bestow upon him the purser-ship of the Adventure, it being an employment in which he is experienced, as by the annexed certificate may appear. *Annexed,*

51. I. *Certificate of Sir Thomas Aylesbury, Dennis Fleming, and Stephen Alcock in recommendation of the petitioner.*

Nov. 13. Whitehall. 52. Minutes in Nicholas's handwriting of businesses to be considered at the meeting of the Lords of the Admiralty this day.

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Among the subjects mentioned are the following: the Commission concerning the harbour of Portsmouth, the wafting ordnance into the Low Countries, pay of the two Whelps employed in Ireland, discharge of the Miniken, what shall be done with the Fourth Whelp lent to Lynn, petition of Blachford, appoint purser in the Lion and gunner in Warham sconce, defects of the forts at Milton and Gravesend, complaint of Capt. Cooper against Mellow.

Nov. 13. 53. Sir Thomas Walsingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. Answer to a petition exhibited against him and referred to the Lords of the Admiralty. In October 1629, at an Admiralty Court at Milton, the jury presented divers Flemings for transportation of oysters, and set a penalty of 10*s.* [?] upon each of them. The Flemings were content to pay the fine, so that they might continue to transport, but knowing this transportation to be prejudicial, Sir Thomas sent a warrant, in December last, to restrain them until the pleasure of the Lords of the Admiralty was known. This warrant was renewed in October last in consequence of the complaint of Sir Edward Hales and others of the dearness of oysters, and that under colour of oysters other victual was transported.

Nov. 13. Whitehall. The Lords of the Admiralty to Thomas Austen, Master and Commander of his Majesty's pink the Fortune. Instructions in his employment to guard the rivers Thames and Medway. He is to ply up and down about Tilbury Hope, and as wind and weather will permit to fall down to Leigh and sometimes to ride about Queenborough, Sheerness, and the river's mouth, within ken of which he is always to keep. [*See Dom., Car. I., Vol.* clvii., *fol.* 113.]

Nov. 14. Apthorpe. 54. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. Begs him to procure the King's hand to a licence for relinquishment of tenure *in capite* in certain of her lands in exchange for full as many other acres to be held by the same tenure. Is glad he accepted her present so well. Her hinds are now fat and cannot do her so good service as in serving her friends.

Nov. 14. 55. Sir John Carleton to the same. Is sorry that anything should hinder him and my Lady from coming to the writer's house. His wife and all her children are well. Would have waited upon him but for his troublesome office. No sooner his back is turned but an inundation of greyhounds, hunters, and falconers come down upon him. He almost despairs to discharge his office to the King's liking.

Nov. 14. Theobalds Park. 56. Patrick Earl of Tullibardine to the same. Recommends the suit of a lady whose brother, Sir Thomas Dacres, is now in Northamptonshire, his lady being at her father's, sick, so that he is not able to attend the Sec. personally to intreat his favour for his brother Gernon, a long and well-deserving servant of his Majesty in Ireland. Their suit is that Gernon may succeed a judge in that country, who is lately dead.

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Nov. 15. 57. Petition of Ellen Charlton to the King. Having two sons cast at Assizes at Newcastle for pretended theft of two mares and three cows, and petitioner in danger to be questioned for an accessary, in Sept. last she petitioned for a pardon on account of the birth of the Prince, and his Majesty, on the certificate of Mr. Justice Davenport, was pleased to pardon petitioner and her two sons. Notwithstanding which the clerk of the assize and others seek to procure a warrant for the execution of her sons, and to prosecute petitioner to outlawry. Pray warrant to Mr. Justice Davenport that he grant no order for execution of her sons, but order the indictments to be delivered over to the Attorney General to prepare a pardon. *Underwritten,*

57. I. *Reference to the Lord Keeper to inform himself whether these delinquents be the same against whom the country have made particular complaint as notorious offenders. If not, his Majesty is pleased to pardon them. Whitehall,* 1630, *Nov.* 15.

57. II. *Baron Trevor and Mr. Justice Davenport to the Lord Keeper. John Charlton,* alias *Barr, and Thomas Charlton, mentioned in the above petition, are notorious offenders, and amongst those for whom they received his Majesty's direction for execution to be done upon them. They have given direction accordingly.* 1630, *Nov.* 18.

57. III. *Lord Keeper Coventry to the King. Submits the above letter to his Majesty's good pleasure.*

Nov. 15. Whitehall. 58. Petition of David Ramsey to the same. Has found out new inventions to make saltpetre in an open field of four acres, to serve all his Majesty's dominions; to raise water from low pits by fire; to make any sort of mill to go on standing waters by continual motion, without wind, weight, or horse; to make all sorts of tapestry without any weaving loom; to make boats and ships go against strong wind and tide; to make the earth fertile more than usual; to raise water from low places and mines and coal pits; to make hard iron soft, and copper "tuffe" and soft; to make yellow wax white, and to multiply the same. Prays patents for the sole using these inventions for 14 years, paying to his Majesty 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* rent for the same. *Underwritten,*

58. I. *Minute that his Majesty grants the letters patent solicited. Mr. Attorney General is to prepare a grant accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *Nov.* 15.

Nov. 15. Bristol. 59. Mayor of Bristol to the Council. Will make diligent inquiry concerning the business recommended to his care and charge, and within a few days will give a particular account thereof.

Nov. 15. Whitehall. 60. Reference on what has probably been the fly-leaf of a petition, of the petition formerly annexed thereto, to Sec. Dorchester, to take such course therein as should be fit for the petitioner's relief.

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Nov. 16. Langley. 61. Lord President Conway to Sec. Dorchester. It has been the misfortune of the writer's son, Sir Robert Harley, to receive an affront by an Order of the Council of the Marches of Wales, procured by Mr. Samson Eure, his Majesty's Attorney there. John Jervis, servant to Mr. Eure, came into Bringwood Forest, with a piece charged with hail shot, killed a brace of hares there, and would have killed the keeper. Jervis was brought before Sir Robert, as keeper of the game, and he committed him to the gaol at Hereford, and seized on the piece in right of his Majesty. Mr. Attorney, by authority of the Council, quickly got his man out of gaol, and then preferred a bill against Thomas Adams, Sir Robert's Deputy Ranger, alleging that the piece was his own proper goods, and has imprisoned Adams for not delivering the same, although he knows it is in Sir Robert's hands, who has justified the taking thereof in his Majesty's right. In lieu of applying for a prohibition or Habeas Corpus, Sir Robert offers the proceedings to his Majesty's consideration, craving order for his deputy's release. The Lord President's weakness keeping him from attendance on his Majesty, he puts the business in the Sec.'s hands.

Nov. 16. Manor of St. Mary, near the walls of York. 62. William Ellis, Thomas Tyldesley, and Richard Dyot, Commissioners for compounding with Recusants in co. York, to Attorney General Heath. They have compounded with Richard Heaton, of St. Clement Danes, co. Middlesex, for his Majesty's two-third parts of the lands of Dame Grace Babthorpe, widow of Sir Ralph Babthorpe, under the yearly rent of 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and desire that a lease may be made to Heaton accordingly.

Nov. 16. 63. Paper indorsed by Bishop Laud, "The City censures concern-"ing Leighton's escape." It is an unsigned paper of information on the subjected alluded to, communicated to some one about Bishop Laud. The manner of Leighton's unpremeditated escape, in the hat and cloak of one Leviston, a tailor, who called upon him late at night, about a surgeon, as they supposed, for the next day's work [Leighton's punishment], is detailed. The multitude rejoice at his escape, saying it was 'long of the Bishops he had that cruel censure, because he writ a book against them, and not one of a thousand dislikes him for it, the report being generally received that most of the Bishops took part with the King and Duke against the Commons. The Puritans are of opinion that the main end of his book was truth, but they would not have had him disgrace the truth by flying. He has lost credit with his own party by flying. They had hoped his suffering would have been a great glory for the truth.

Nov. 16. 64. Certificate of Thomas Sheppard, Justice of Peace for Middlesex, that Anthony Hobart, son of Anthony Hobart, of Hales, co. Norfolk, had voluntarily taken the oath of allegiance before him.

Nov. 17. Westminster. Grant to Richard Paxford of a gunner's room in the Tower of London, with a fee of 12*d.* per diem, from the death of John Listney, deceased. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 30.]

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Nov. 17. Westminster. Similar grant to Matthew Clifford, with a fee of 6*d.* per diem, from the death of Henry Jelf, deceased. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 31.]

Nov. 17. Westminster. Similar grant to Thomas Harrison the elder, with a fee of 12*d.* per diem, from the death of Humphrey Stanfield, deceased. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 32.]

Nov. 17. 65. Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Bristol to the Council. Bristol, consisting of 18 parishes, and being very populous, has heretofore had provision of corn brought into it from Devon and other neighbouring counties; but the late furnishing of a ship for New England has in some measure unfurnished their markets, and since the late proclamation the Justices of the surrounding counties have stopped ships from coming thither with provision of corn, so that the inhabitants are likely to fall into great distress. Pray order to the Justices of the said counties that provision of corn for Bristol may be had. *Underwritten,*

65. I. *Order of Council for the parishioners to attend the Lord Treasurer. Whitehall,* 1630, *Nov.* 17.

Nov. 17. 66. Petition of John Kynne to the same. Last year the counties of Carmarthen and Pembroke wanted both barley and oats, and being not able to make any drink that would stay on any man's stomach, but work as poison, they were supplied out of Gloucester, to the saving of their lives. This year those counties abound with wholesome grain, and Gloucester is in want, whereupon petitioner, before the proclamation came forth, bought 200 bushels of barley and 100 bushels of oats in cos. Pembroke and Carmarthen, which still lie there ready to be spoiled. For the truth of the abundance of corn in those counties, refers to the Justices of Assize. Prays for a warrant for fetching home the purchased corn. *Underwritten,*

66. I. *Minute of Order of Council that the petitioner must make appear by good certificate the present plenty in cos. Carmarthen and Pembroke. Whitehall,* 1630, *Nov.* 17.

Nov. 17. 67. Petition of Edward Wollascott to the same. On a complaint of his wife Ann Wollascott, he was sent for by warrant. The Lord President on the 10th August last appointed petitioner to attend the Board on 28th September, when he was enjoined to attend again on 12th November inst. Prays speedy hearing of his cause.

Nov. 17. From aboard at Gore End. 68. Capt. Francis Hooke to Sec. Dorchester. By order from the Lords Justices of Ireland, he has guarded about the sugar prize from Dublin. Set sail on the 11th, and came to anchor at Gore End last night. Many Dunkirkers in the Narrow Seas. A States man-of-war sunk one which had 30 pieces of ordnance, and chased another into Falmouth, which Sir James Bagg seized for his Majesty. The Charity, of London, fought with two more of them for two hours.

Nov. 17. Trinity College, Cambridge. 69. Dr. Samuel Brooke to Bishop Laud. Has refused the Vice-Chancellorship this year, being engaged upon a book about that hard but necessary point of divinity for these days, predestination.

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Begs him to entreat the King to excuse the writer for his next months waiting at Court. Near upon 20 years since he was first called into Prince Henry's service, and has been continued by the late and present King ever since. Among other reasons for excusing him, he states that he cannot read by candle-light without a glass, and is often troubled with the stone. Dr. Micklethwaite, who waited for the writer last year, desires to continue his attendance, and the rather by the King's favour to be strengthened against his enemies, the lawyers, who love not the Church. If the Bishop does not like the writer's book, he will never make the least means to have it further seen. Got the King's disfavour by the book which some of his friends persuaded him to present. But whatsoever his fortune, no man extols the King's virtues more than he among the misled and unthankful people. This land is not worthy of such a King, whose virtues and character the writer very highly praises. Recommends Dr. Micklethwaite as forward for the good discipline of the Church, for which he has lately suffered both at St. Mary Overies and in the Temple.

[Nov. 18 ?] 70. Petition of Derrick Popley, merchant, one of the Sheriffs of Bristol, to the Council. Petitioner has for many years brought into Bristol and other western ports 5,000 bushels of salt yearly. Has at present the like quantity in a ship newly arrived from France, and expects another ship daily from the Straits. Having a ship bound for a fishing voyage, he also bought six or seven hundred bushels in the western parts. On an information that petitioner by William Yeomans, his agent, did engross salt in the western parts, petitioner and Yeomans are fetched up from Bristol, and are in custody of a messenger. Pray that they may be discharged.

Nov. 18. Yarmouth. 71. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to Sec. Dorchester. The Trinity Masters and the Turkey Company having petitioned for restraint of transportation of herrings in strangers' bottoms, by which they intend their own private lucre, the writers entreat that the Turkey Company may be ordered either to take the herrings on hand at a competent price, or else that the writers may be permitted to transport as formerly.

Nov. 18. Southampton. 72. Mayor and others of Southampton to the same. On presenting a petition to the King for repayment of money disbursed for billeting soldiers, the Sec. promised that a course should be taken for their satisfaction, and directed that some should attend this present term to receive order therein. They have accordingly sent Nathaniel Mill, one of their society.

Nov. 18. 73. Petition of the Four Masters of Attendance on his Majesty's Navy Royal to the Lords of the Admiralty. By an estimate lately sent down (made as they conceive only by the Officers of the Navy) petitioners are cut off 21*l.* apiece per annum, being more than a third part of their means. Having the broad seal for their allowance, which if shortened they cannot do their service, they pray that their full means may be continued.

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Nov. 18. 74. Directions by the Justices of the Peace to the Constables of the parishes of Apeen [Speen ?], Shawbridge, and Greenham, co. Berks. Not to allow the people to assemble, to charge the churchwardens and overseers to double their tax for the relief of the poor, to require the alehouse-keepers to surcease selling ale, and the brewers not to serve them. [*Copy.*]

Nov. 18. 75. Journal of Capt. Francis Hooke in his Majesty's pinnace the Fifth Lion's Whelp, from 1630, April 15, to this day, when he came to anchor with the sugar prize at Deptford.

Nov. 19. Westminster. Grant to the Town of Bridgenorth, co. Salop, of the privilege of holding a yearly fair, to commence on the Thursday next before the first week of Lent. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 33.]

Nov. 19. Basings in Peckham. 76. Sir Thomas Gardyner to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk. Received warrant from his Lordship and other Lords of the Council to appear and answer matters to be objected against him. Knowing no cause wherein he has offended, but having infirmities which prevent his travelling, prays that his present appearance may be spared.

Nov. 20. London. 77. Dr. John Moseley to Sec. Dorchester. Urges him to move the Lord Treasurer to bring about a peace.

Nov. 20. London. 78. Sir John Sedley to the same. Offers him his horse, sound and in fair condition.

Nov. 20. 79. Minutes in Nicholas's handwriting of business to be transacted by the Lords of the Admiralty. Whether the deputation to Bagnall, saltpetreman, in place of Stevens, shall be in the same form as Stevens's; to order victuals for the Fifth Whelp, or otherwise dispose of her; letter from the Officers of the Navy concerning abuses of two pursers; what shall be done upon the estimate of the ordinary for next year.

Nov. 22. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Capt. Richard Ouseley 100*l.* for a sword, which the King has received of him. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 34.]

Nov. 22. Bristol. 80. Mayor of Bristol to the Council. Cannot be informed of any who have bought up salt, save two young salters, Richard Tovy and Miles Dixon, who bought about 19 tons in Wales, sold 3 tons to a shopkeeper in Wales, and carried the rest to their own shops to sell by retail. Touching the ship of corn from Padstow, is informed by merchants of good estimation there, being the owners thereof, that the Endeavour was sent down to that place for wheat, which was bought at 3*s.* a bushel. She was detained there by contrary wind, but was ultimately brought to Bristol, where the corn was sold to bakers at reasonable prices.

Nov. 22. Hinxhill, Kent. 81. Richard Browne, Sheriff of Kent, to the same. Has signified their pleasures to all parts of Kent. Sends one certificate from Sir Nicholas Gilbourne and Sir Robert Darrell, and as others come

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to hand will hasten them. Fears some distemper is growing among the inferior sort of people. In some places they fall upon such as carry corn, especially if they conceive them going to Faversham. As at Wye it fell out this last week, where also there was found in the minister's porch the inclosed libel. *Inclosed,*

81. I. *A paper on which are written the following lines in a feigned hand;—*

The corne is so dear,
I dout mani will starve this yeare;
If you see not to this,
Sum of you will speed amis.
Our souls they are dear,
For our bodyes have sume ceare.
Before we arise
Less will safise.

Note. The pore there is more
Then goes from dore to dore.

You that are set in place
See that youre profesion you doe not disgrace.
Will you knowe my name,
You must be wise in the same.
A. +. C. B. E. D. G. F. I. H. L. K. N. M.

Nov. 22. Basings in Peckham. 82 Sir Thomas Gardyner to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for favour in reference to the charge made against Sir Thomas before the Council. Protests that God has made him a true, obedient, and faithful subject, and prays therefore that his coming for his appearance may be spared, because of his infirmities, if the matter be not great.

Nov. 22. / Dec. 2. Paris. 83. Edward Dacres to the same. The Duke of Lennox is very sensible of the good offices done for him by the Sec. The effect of his mediation with the Duchess has been, that she has begun to promise her help. The Duke is very willing to stay at Paris till he have attained to some perfection in his exercises. In the spring time he intends the *Tour de France,* and in the end of summer to go into Italy, unless war or plague hinder him. His company is clogged with old servants and young travellers. Shall take care to find books fit for the Sec.'s library.

Nov. 22. Southampton. 84. J. Durell to William Chesterman. Acknowledges a letter respecting a litigation to which the writer and his son were parties. Leaves it entirely to Chesterman's judgment. If it had not been for the business which calls him to Jersey, would have returned to London, to have brought the affair to an end. "You tell me for "certain that our old governor is dead. If it has so pleased God, we "must be content."

Nov. 22. Southampton. 85. Certificate of John Mill, Morgan Parvy, vicar, and others, to the [Council], that John Banister, sent for by the Council to answer a complaint of Richard Carkas and others, is an old man unable to travel without danger of his life. He is willing to submit to their order after they have understood the truth on either side.

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86. Certificate of Thomas Smedmor, Mayor of Poole, and Thomas Robarts, Justice of the Peace there, that Ellery Addisse and John Mills appeared before them and affirmed that when their ship, the Leopard of Poole, was wrecked at Castlehaven, they and others of the crew laboured to save for Sir Thos. Freke, their owner, such goods as they could, and that they drew to shore seven pieces of ordnance, and could have saved more, but were put from their labour by Thomas Salmon.

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Exeter.

87. Mayor of Exeter to the Council. Cannot find any forestallers and buyers up of salt. Such merchants of that city as have bought salt at Rochelle, have paid there 8*s.* the bushel, and have sold it here for 9*s.*, which is the ordinary price. Is informed that 9*s.* the bushel is the common price in those western parts.

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88. James Duke of Lennox to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for favours. Hopes to work his brother D'Aubigny from his friends in those parts if they will not suffer him to return unto England. If his Majesty be not pleased with his staying there, the Duke doubts not he shall prevail with him to prefer his obedience to his Majesty before all his hopes of fortunes in France. When Mons. d'Entragues shall be come to town (who is the Duke's kinsman and d'Aubigny's great friend) shall be satisfied of his resolution.

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89. Sir Kenelm Digby to Nicholas. Incloses a letter, which requests Sir Kenelm to recommend some person not named. He who recommends the man is honest, able, and discreet.

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90. Remain of all the powder in the Tower of London taken by his Majesty's Commissioners this day.

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91. Order of the Court of Exchequer. On the information of the Attorney General, as to the judgment of the Court in a solemn argument touching the liberty of Wenlock, co. Salop, it was ordered that the Clerk of the Pipe should take notice thereof, and not hereafter allow any Lord certain receipts which by the decision in the Wenlock case were adjudged to belong to the Crown.

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92. Assessment of inhabitants of the parish of St. Mary Bothaw, in the ward of Walbrook, London, towards payment of two-fifteenths granted to the chamber of London, by act of Common Council holden at the Guildhall, 22 Oct. 1630.

Nov. 24.
Whitehall.

Proclamation forbidding all the King's subjects who are not Adventurers or planters authorized by the President and Council for New England, to presume to frequent the coasts of that country, or to trade with the "salvages" or natives thereof, otherwise than for the necessary use of fishing, and especially that they do not sell or barter with the inhabitants any weapons or habiliments of war. [*Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 136.]

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93. Petition of Joan and Katherine Castell, daughters and co-heirs of Christopher Castell, deceased, to the Council. Petitioners,

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as heirs to their father, have had verdicts in several suits for recovery of certain premises lying in Wotton and Hordley, in the demesne of Woodstock, but the same being in the possession of one William Castell, who pretends a right thereto, he being a rebellious fellow, and despiser of government, has defended the premises by force, killing one man and hurting more, who came to execute warrants for delivery of possession, and being encouraged by Francis Gregory, a counsellor at law, who has purchased great part of the premises from Castell, the Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, the High Steward of the Manor, is unwilling to attempt the delivery of the same by force. Pray the Council to send for Gregory and Castell, to the end that possession may be delivered to petitioners. [*The Council ordered this day that the petitioners should enter their plaint in the demesne court at Wotton, that Francis Gregory and William Castell should forthwith plead to an issue for trying the title, and that if the verdict pass for the petitioners, the defendants should presently deliver possession, and pay the mesne profits. Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 181.]

Nov. 24. Westminster. 94. Return of Justices of Peace of Westminster (amongst them Inigo Jones) of their care in executing the Proclamation and Book of Orders for remedying the dearth of grain. Red wheat, which in October was 7*s.* 4*d.* to 7*s.* 6*d.* a bushel, and white wheat, which was 9*s.* and 9*s.* 4*d.*, had risen to 9*s.* and 10*s.*, whilst oatmeal, which was 6*s.* 8*d.*, had risen to 8*s.* All other victual keeps at reasonable prices. Return names of persons who have offended against the book of orders; being principally bakers who had bought wheat before the fall of the market, or whose bread was "unconscionable light."

Nov. 24. 95. Petition of Thomas Williams, master gunner of the Esperance, to the Lords of the Admiralty. States his services at Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle. The late Duke of Buckingham promised him a gunner's place in one of the best ships of the Navy. Prays to be appointed master gunner of the Triumph.

Nov. 24. 96. Sir Henry Marten to Sec. Dorchester. There are seven causes depending before him, concerning ships laden with prohibited goods, and bound for Spain, taken from the French by the English. The English rely upon the King's proclamation; the French affirm that the proclamation does not affect them. Having heard this question debated between the Lords of the Admiralty and Mons. Chasteauneuf, the French Ambassador Extraordinary, but not knowing what issue followed thereupon, he desires to be advertised what is his Majesty's pleasure and direction in this difference.

[Nov. 24?] 97. Petition of John Browne, founder of his Majesty's Iron Ordnance, to Horace Lord Vere. His Majesty has restrained all sorts of iron ordnance called Drakes to his own particular service. The use of them is much desired by the King's subjects, and no inconvenience can thereby happen; but contrariwise they may prove a preservation to their lives and goods. The Masters of the Trinity

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House will be ready to give satisfaction therein. Tenders considerations for removal of the restraint. *Underwritten,*

97. I. *Reference by Lord Vere to the Masters of the Trinity House. If they desire that the use of Drakes should be permitted to the subject they may set down such reasons as they conceive to be of most weight. Annexed,*

97. II. *Report of the Masters of the Trinity House. They recommend to Lord Vere certain reasons in proof of the convenience of the use of Drakes in merchant ships. Underwritten,*

97. III. *Recommendation by Lord Vere of the use of Drakes by the subject as fitting their ships the better for his Majesty's service when required, and preventing ship-owners from obtaining them from the Low Countries.*

Nov. 24. 98. William Heley to Sir Kenelm Digby. Recommends Henry Drayton for a gunner's place in the Defiance.

Nov. 24. Nicholas to Richard Wyan. To cause a commission to be issued to Sir Francis Godolphin, Francis Godolphin, Francis Bassett, Capt. Roger Pokenhorne, Thomas Fleming, and Philip Noy, to examine the officers and company of the Frederickstadt of Hamburgh. [*Minute. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 86.]

Nov. 24. Exeter College. 99. Dr. John Prideaux to Bishop Laud. Yesterday, the Vice-Chancellor convented them concerning the reviving of Term disputations. By a joint consent it was thought fit to second so reasonable and seasonable a proposal with immediate execution. This was thought would make way, that when the time cometh prefixed by his Lordship, there would be no failing, and would intimate to him what concurrence there is among them in due obedience, where directions are so just, judicious, and necessary.

Nov. 24. 100. Petition of Robert Thurlby, armourer, to the Lords Commissioners for his Majesty's Office of Armouries. By reason of the sickness this last summer in petitioner's house, he was dismissed from his work in the Tower by Mr. Nash, Clerk of the Armoury there. Prays that he may be restored.

Nov. 24. 101. List of the several kinds of armours and other furniture within the Tower of London.

Nov. 25. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Dr. David Bethune, one of the King's physicians, 400*l.* without account. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 35.]

Nov. 25. 102. Petition of the merchants, silkmen, and others trading in silk, to the King. The trade of silk has now become great, whereby the customs are increased and many thousands are set on work. The first beginning of this trade took its being from women, then called silkwomen, who brought up men-servants who have since become free of most of the guilds of London. These have no power

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to reform the abuses of the silk trade, wherefore petitioners pray for a charter of incorporation, with pardon to all who shall become members of the corporation for all past deceitful dying, working, and selling of silk. *Underwritten,*

102. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill for incorporation of the petitioners, and also the pardon solicited.*

Nov. 25. London. 103. Sir Robert Ducie, the Lord Mayor, and others of London, to the Council. Report of their proceedings. 1. In reference to the ordering of houses and persons infected, the success of which was evidenced by the small number of deaths; 2. With regard to the abstinence from flesh on days prohibited, they committed to prison such delinquents as they found, and authorized certain fishmongers to make search upon the subject; 3. For removal of stakes in the Thames, their water-bailiff had been continually abroad, to the great danger of his life, among that rude sort of people, and had taken up all their stops, and drawn up stakes that by the report of neighbouring inhabitants had stood beyond any of their remembrances. Only some few short stakes are yet remaining at Isleworth, which are hidden under water and cannot be removed until the tides grow lower. For the petermen who destroy the fry, they have commanded them to forbear their unlawful fishing.

Nov. 25. 104. List of such ministers in Essex as are not conformable in opinion nor practice. They are eleven in number, and among them, "Mr. Daniel Rogers, lecturer of Wetherfield in the deanery of "Hedingham," and "Mr. Seton, now or late usher to the school in "Felstead, in the deanery of Dunmow; a bold boy and unlicensed." Indorsed by Bishop Laud.

Nov. 26. Westminster. Grant of denization to Dr. Jasper Despotin, one of the late King's physicians. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 36.]

Nov. 26. 105. Petition of Philip West, John Perior, Joshua Perior, Lawrence Hackman, John Woods, Robert Chitty, Henry Chitty, Henry Monger, Nathaniel Webham, Timothy Chitty, and others, clothiers of Godalming, co. Surrey, to the Council. Petitioners have for many years maintained 1,400 poor people in spinning of wools, weaving, working, dying, fulling, and dressing of cloths called Hampshire kersies, and have sold the same to Samuel Vassall, merchant, who vented the same beyond seas. Vassall being restrained of his liberty, and no other merchant taking upon him that trade, petitioners are utterly disabled, and enforced to take to some other course for their maintenance, and the poor people, with sobs and tears, in this time of scarcity pitifully importuning the petitioners, are now clean without work and ready to starve. Pray for an order for venting their cloths.

Nov. 26. 106. Petition of the Garrison, Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of Portsmouth, to the same. This garrison and borough have heretofore

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been supplied with corn from the Isle of Wight, where there is now no scarcity. Pray that, notwithstanding recent orders, such supply may be continued. Also that, notwithstanding an order that fir timber coming out of the East countries, should not be landed save in the river Thames, a sufficient supply for repair of the fortifications at Portsmouth may be landed there. [*Underwritten is a certificate of Viscount Wimbledon as to the quantity of timber necessary for the above service.*]

Nov. 27. Westminster. Grant to Sir Dudley Digges of the office of Master of the Rolls, in reversion after Sir Julius Cæsar. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 37.]

Nov. 27. Whitehall. 107. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a grant to Elizabeth Countess Dowager of Anglesea of the pension of 1,000*l.* per annum, formerly granted to her late husband, Christopher Earl of Anglesea, deceased.

Nov. 27. Whitehall. 108. Lords of the Admiralty to Captain John Mennes. Appointment to the command of the Garland to be employed for guard of the Narrow Seas.

Nov. 27. 109. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Master Shipwrights and others have been ordered to survey all the reparations done by contract upon his Majesty's ships, and they have sent the inclosed certificate of the Vanguard, wherein they have not only delivered their opinions of the works already done, but have also given an estimate of future charge requisite to make her a perfect ship. *Inclosed,*

109. I. *Certificate of Phineas Pett, Andrewes Burrell, and others, setting forth the proceedings of Thomas Ellett in repair of the Vanguard, all which are grounded upon good judgment, are workmanly performed, and are sufficient to make her a serviceable ship. They state also the sums requisite to make her perfect, amounting to* 828*l.* 7*s.* 4*d.*, *in addition to* 480*l. paid already.*

109. II. *Particular of works at first intended to be done on board the Vanguard.*

Nov. 27. Green's Norton. 110. Sir Thomas Dacres to Sec. Dorchester. Had he not been kept a long while in Northamptonshire, at his wife's father's, by reason of her continued sickness, he would in person have attended him to solicit his favour on behalf of his sister's husband, Gernon, that he may be appointed a judge in Ireland.

Nov. 28. Eccleshall Castle. 111. Bishop Morton of Lichfield and Coventry to the same. In behalf of Sir Charles Vavasour, who has been commended to him by a royal mouth. He is the true son of his worthy father. [*Sec. Dorchester has indorsed upon this letter a memorandum "to move the King about order to the Attorney for prosecution of "Horwood."*]

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Nov. 28. Apthorpe. 112. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. The Master of the Wards makes doubts before he will deliver the solicited licence (*see No.* 54) as to how he should be sure that she would not give the freeholders more acres out of the tenure holden of the King than she should receive again of them, whereby the King should lose. Begs him to answer for her in this respect. At her coming to London she shall be able to make it appear whether the King have any wrong by the exchange.

Nov. 29. Westminster. Licence to Sir Thomas Hyde, Sheriff of co. Buckingham, to continue his residence in co. Hertford, within three miles of some part of co. Buckingham during his Sheriffwick, notwithstanding the statutes which require his residence in the county of which he is Sheriff. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 38.]

Nov. 29. Westminster. Licence to Sir Robert Bell and Sir Sampson Dorrell [Darrell], Charles Cotton, and others, on the nomination of John Dodd and Ralph Pryshett, to enjoy for 14 years the sole right of using an engine invented by Dodd and Pryshett for draining mines and other uses. [*Ibid., No.* 39.]

Nov. 29. 113. Petition of William Bardwell, of Aldborough, Under Marshal for co. Suffolk, to the Council. Under various recited authorities of the Council and Sir Lionel Tollemache, petitioner had seized certain masts, and also a ship wrecked on the coast of Suffolk, and the same had been sold under authority of the Court of Admiralty. Sir William Withypoll had commenced a suit against petitioner concerning the same masts. Prays that he may be saved harmless.

Nov. 29. 114. Account or discharge of Sir John Heydon, as Lieutenant of Ordnance, in reference to 9,582*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.* charged upon him in the Exchequer. The account consists of payments, ordinary and extraordinary, out of the Ordnance from 1627 to 1629. The discharge exceeds the charge, 12*s.* 4½*d.*

Nov. 29. 115. Brief state of the account of Dame Elizabeth Moryson, executrix of Sir William Harrington, who was executor of Sir Richard Moryson, late Lieutenant of the Ordnance, as well for an old debt of Sir Roger Dallison, formerly Lieutenant of the Ordnance, as also for sums charged against Sir Richard Moryson up to 17 July 1625. There remains due to his Majesty on this account 382*l.* 13*s.* 8½*d.*

Nov. 30. Westminster. Pardon to Alexander Gill and William Grinkin for the several censures and fines imposed on them in the Court of Star Chamber. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 40.]

Nov. 30. 116. Petition of Thomas Stephens, Richard Snelling, and others, bakers and brewers of Plymouth, to the Council. Have supplied his Majesty's ships with great quantities of bread and beer, which now, by reason of the scarcity of corn, they are unable to do, if

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occasion should happen. Have bought corn in Cornwall, which they cannot bring thence without order from their Lordships. Pray for such order.

Nov. 30. Bristol.

117. William Willett to Nicholas. What return had been made to an order of the Lords of the Admiralty that the proceeds of the sale of the St. John, of Dunkirk, should be paid into the Exchequer. Prays his assistance in procuring a discharge. Sends a particular of the quantity of salt. Understands Sir Thomas Button is questioned for a surplusage of salt embezzled. They have returned 30 tons taken out by him, but they presume not half came to his hands. The ship never took above 120 tons, and some was thrown overboard when the Convertive chased her. Mr. Popley has been 14 days in London, sent for by the Council. He hopes to clear the ship before he comes down.

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118. State of Sir William Heydon's Ordnance Account. The charge against him was 66,150*l.* 10*s.* 10½*d.*; the discharge, 60,529*l.* 0*s.* 5¾*d.* Of the remainder it was stated that the account could not be clearly made out until the accounts of Sir William's predecessors were audited. Mr. Morice's dealings, as deputy to Sir William, are called in question, and finally, Sir John Heydon, as administrator of his brother, Sir William, adduces items of account amounting to 4,972*l.* 8*s.* 4½*d.*, which he desires to set against the balance of 5,621*l.* 10*s.* 4¾*d.*, before left unaccounted for.

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119. Serjeant John Hoskyns, one of the Justices of Great Sessions in Wales, to the Council. It appeared by examination of the Justices of the Peace for cos. Carmarthen and Pembroke at the Great Sessions in September last, that there is this year extraordinary great plenty of corn there, and that there may be uttered whole ships full to England. The said plenty still continues by report of Lord Vaughan and other gentlemen that late came from thence.

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120. Petition of the Burgesses and Townsmen of Alnwick, co. Northumberland, to the Council. Robert Brandling, a gentleman of great estate, is extremely turbulent and contentious. He is bound to good behaviour in the Crown office, and excommunicated at Durham, notwithstanding which it is his daily practice to abuse the church, and churchmen, and to make violent assaults on divers men with armed troops. Pray for protection against one who has several times laboured to take the life of his own children, and at this present has exhibited a bill in the Star Chamber against sixteen of the burgesses of Alnwick, intending to deprive them of their means and livelihood. That he may put in practice his wicked inventions he has procured himself to be Sheriff this year, which will be the utter undoing of many of his Majesty's subjects.

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121. Sir John Bingley to Sec. Dorchester. Against the appointment of one Beresford to the Captaincy of the fort of Coolmore, as successor to Capt. John Bingham, lately dead, a worthy and able soldier, who before commanded the garrison of Gorcum under

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the States. Beresford was never a soldier, and his father is the great delinquent of all the London plantation. Met Sir Thomas Phillips this afternoon, and it grieved the writer's heart to see him so much dejected, having spent all he had in doing the King high good service, and disrespected. Fears if he receive not speedy comfort he will not live much longer. He is worn out of means having obeyed the command of his late Majesty and spent his own means, and not one sixpence of the King's.

Nov. ? 122. Philip Burlamachi to Sec. Dorchester. Sends letters from Germany, with an answer from the Emperor, and an account of the army of the King of Sweden. The writer has received letters from Rowlandson at Venice, in which he defends himself against the imputation which Nys had brought against him. Nys has done the writer the greatest wrong that he has ever received in the whole course of his life, and he knows not how to procure redress. Awaits the return of a privy seal sent to Dorchester [for the King's signature] two or three weeks ago. It is most important for his accounts. The 200*l.* has been paid at Amsterdam to Mr. Carleton. Burlamachi wishes to know how he is to be reinbursed.

Nov. 123. Notes by Sec. Dorchester of the Attorney General's reply, and the speeches on delivering judgment, in the case of Bonham Norton and others for libelling the Lord Keeper.

Nov. 124. Further similar notes of a speech in the same case.

Nov. 125. Note of fees received in the Signet office during the present month.

Nov. 126. Names and additions of 56 persons who appeared before the Council for unlawful dressing of flesh. They were discharged.

Nov. 127. Account of all the beer and ale above rates in victualling houses in each of the several wards of the city of London, certified to the Lord Mayor. Totals; Beer at 10*s.* per barrel, butts and pipes, 2,080; Rhenish wine vats, 4; hogsheads, 1,119; barrels, 28,727; barrels of 8*s.*, 105½; Ale of 14*s.* a barrel, 7 barrels and a stand; of 10*s.* a barrel, 1 pipe; barrels of 10*s.*, 288; stands, 11½; kilderkins, 39; firkins, 2; gallons, 31.

[Nov. ?] 128. Sir Thomas Gardyner to the King. His inability to appear before the Council on account of bodily infirmity. Understands the warrant against him was procured by Endymion Porter, on the complaint of one widow Porter, late the son's wife of Giles Porter, about his return from Jerusalem some 50 or 48 years ago. It is alleged that Sir Thomas then entered into a bond with his eldest brother, which he denies, and asserts that if it were so he was not then of age. Nevertheless, to avoid clamour, he was willing to give the widow the 50*l.* she claimed, and sent the same by his nephew Ralph Skipwith, a clerk in the King's "avery;" but he conceiving it was too much, offered her 40*l.*, and she was pleased and satisfied with 40*l.* 10*s.* It is now asserted that Sir Thomas is

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rich, and a hard man and covetous. In reply, he enters into long family explanations, and gives the history of several of his children, especially of his eldest son. After being at Magdalen College, Oxford, and the Inns of Court, this gentleman went abroad, and on his return married to his father's dislike; and going to Spain with Sir Francis Cottington, died there. His fourth and youngest daughter, without her father's consent, mounted up to the top of Paul's, and there was married to Sir Henry Mainwaring. His only surviving son served in the Low Countries under the Earl of Oxford, and in Denmark under Sir Charles Morgan; and now he is come home, and lies at Sir Thomas's no little charge, "for soldiers "will not be pleased nor contented without money and gilte." [*Copy forwarded to Sec. Dorchester, with a request for his favour in the business alluded to.*]

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Dec. 1. Norwich.

1. Mayor and others of Norwich to the Council. There is little store of corn in any of the granaries in that city, but the markets on Wednesday and Saturday are well supplied, though at dear rates. Wheat is at 50*s.* the quarter; "meslyn," 40*s.*; rye, 36*s.*; barley, 30*s.* At the last Sessions they suppressed all the maltsters who use brewing of beer, and also ordered the price of strong beer at 6*s.* the barrel, and small beer at 4*s.*; they also appointed the wages of servants and labourers. The brewing maltsters find out cautelous devices to frustrate the order of suppression.

Dec. 1. Trinity College, Cambridge.

2. Dr. Samuel Brooke to Bishop Laud. Has written to the Lord Chamberlain, and his secretary, Mr. Taverner, to put Dr. Micklethwaite in the writer's place; and if the writer may be forgotten, let him be so. The tract [on predestination] is almost done already. Fifteen years ago he determined in the Schools, after Cajetan's way, that these questions were unintelligible in this life, or, as the Bishop says better, unmasterable. But, since, the writer thinks he has found an issue out of that wood and wilderness in which we have been lost all this while. If the Bishop of Norwich, the Dean of Lichfield, the Dean of Christchurch, with his friends at Oxford, and Dr. Beale, with others, cannot commend it as a thing so indifferently written as might content Arminius and Gomar, and not a new way so much as the making the old even and clean against stumbling hereafter, or sticking fast, he has done.

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3. Petition of Edward Ramsey, Thomas Parker, Edward Bisse, and Richard Jarett, to the King. Petitioners have found out a new invention for raising water from out any mines, gruffs, coal pits, or any other place how deep soever, to any high place, and that by way

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of a barrel engine never yet in use. Pray for letters patent for sole using the same for 14 years, at the rent of 26*s.* 8*d.* *Underwritten,*

3. I. *Minute that the King grants the prayer of the petition. Mr. Attorney General is to prepare a book accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *Dec.* 2.

Dec. 2. 4. Petition of Edmund Markant to the King. Petitioner has found out divers new ways for making salt. Prays letters patent for sole using the same for 14 years, at the rent of 20*s.* per annum. *Underwritten,*

4. I. *Minute that the King grants the above prayer and directs the Attorney General to prepare a book accordingly. Whitehall,* 1630, *Dec.* 2.

Dec. 2. 5. Petition of Stephen Gibbes to the same. Petitioner, after long and costly search, has attained to the understanding of a more certain means for defence of marsh lands against the sea and fresh surroundings; also to recover havens swarved up by "the sea and "fresh waters strife and imbarment." Prays letters patent for the sole use. *Underwritten,*

5. I. *Minute similar to that under the preceding petition.*

Dec. 2. 6. Petition of Edward Marlyn, John Clarke, Joan Moore, Jasper Laxton, and Thomas Phillips, convicted prisoners in Newgate, to the same. Petitioners were respited in respect of the birth of Prince Charles, but are altogether impoverished, and not able to sue out pardons. Pray that by warrant they may be transported into the state of Venice, under the command of Capt. Lodovic Hamilton. *Underwritten,*

6. I. *Reference to the Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas to certify concerning these delinquents and their crimes. Whitehall,* 1630, *Dec.* 2.

Dec. 2. Westminster. 7. Justices of the Peace for Westminster to [the Council]. Set forth the names and descriptions of 42 persons, chiefly cooks and innholders, whom they have fined to the poor according to the laws, and for breach of the King's late proclamation for abstinence from flesh, and against dressing any meat in victualling houses on fish days.

Dec. 2. 8. Phineas Pett and others, Masters of the Navy, to [the Lords of the Admiralty]. In pursuance of their directions to examine whether the worm had come into his Majesty's ships at Portsmouth since they came into that port, or by any quality in that place, or whether the same was brought in by ships from other parts, they report their proceedings. The jetty head of the King's yard is much eaten and perished on one side thereof with a small worm close by the ground. At the mouth of the harbour a round tower and palisadoes have stood time out of mind, and have not the least touch of any worm. Inclose testimony of sundry seamen of Portsmouth who never heard of any worm bred there. Find the Triumph eaten

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by the worm, but other ships not touched therewith. The Triumph rode there between three Flemish East India ships which remained there above two years, from which they conceive it probable the worm might come. The Eighth Whelp and Henrietta, which have been there two years, are quite free. Are of opinion that the worm bred in the harbour is not dangerous to ships, and that if ships are seasonably careened they may ride at Portsmouth in as great security as in any other place. *Inclosed,*

8. I. *Separate certificates of John Deal and* 12 *others; Samuel Smith, Lambert Peachy, and Jonas Day, in relation to the above subject. Day states that there is a certain worm called a sand-worm which eats by the ground and touches plank or timber lying near the same, but the art-worm which eats dangerously into ships is not bred there.*

Dec. 2. 9. Copy of the same, with the inclosure.

Dec. 2. 10. Henry Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, to Mr. Keeling, Clerk to the Commissioners [for disafforesting Waltham Forest]. Mr. Alford, dwelling near the sea coast in Sussex, his claim to the Manor of Pinest is now to be received.

Dec. 2. Apthorpe. 11. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to [Sec. Dorchester]. Understands that his Majesty has detained the licence he signed for the Countess, conceiving it to be a warrant for inclosure. She explains that she does not desire to inclose any whole manors, neither will she depopulate or decay any one dwelling house, but only in two manors she desires to inclose the demesnes to the manor house, and that for housekeeping, the late Earl, on the late King's command, having straightened them by putting 300 acres of his demesnes into his red deer park. Has the consent of most of the inhabitants of both parishes.

Dec. 2. Swansea. 12. William Herbert to Nicholas. If Nicholas disallows the certificate of the Commissioners respecting the disputed seizure of a ship by Mr. Mansell, begs him to suppress it. Mansell's seizure was for the Earl of Worcester, and Mansell's servants declared that the Earl would protect them. Has sent a certificate to the Lord Chamberlain, and written to Mr. Oldisworth to attend to this business.

Dec. 2. St. Columb Major. 13. Certificate by Justices of Peace for Cornwall of the number of persons in every house in the hundred of Pider, in that county, with the quantity of corn of every inhabitant, and what corn every inhabitant is to sow this year to come, and also what every maltster, baker, brewer, and tippler malts, bakes, and brews weekly, and what corn has been sold out of the markets since the last harvest. Totals of wheat within the hundred, 11,144 bushels; of barley, 11,217 bushels; of oats, 1,919 bushels.

Dec. 3. Westminster. 14. The King to Horace Lord Vere, Master of the Ordnance. Understanding that the use of Drakes is grown common in other

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countries, so as our merchants will be much disadvantaged if they be debarred of them, and for other reasons presented to the Council, and by them allowed and recommended to the King's consideration, the King permits his founder of iron ordnance to cast and make sale of Drakes to the King's subjects, the former warrant remaining in force only against aliens.

Dec. 3. 15. Petition of William Willett, Thomas Wright, William Cann, Richard Vickris, and Robert Kitchen, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Petitioners received commission out of the Court of Admiralty to sell the St. John of Dunkirk, taken by the Convertive, and return the proceeds into that Court. They sold the ship and goods for 1,000*l.* Having been required by their Lordships to make inquiry for the remainder of her lading, the inventory returned by petitioners coming far short of what was in her when she was taken, they find that 30 tons of salt were put aboard the Convertive by Sir Thomas Button, and that the ropes and other things wanting were taken away by some of the mariners unknown. Having also been required by their Lordships to pay the 1,000*l.* into the Exchequer, they pray that they may be discharged from the Court of Admiralty, and be permitted to do so, being allowed the charges mentioned in the note annexed. *Annexed,*

15. I. *Account of moneys paid about the St. John of Dunkirk. Total,* 120*l.*

Dec. 3. 16. Petition of William Davyle to the same. The sentence in the Admiralty respecting the St. John of Dunkirk has been stayed by an order of the Council concerning the claims made by the French. By advice of his Majesty's Advocate presents unto them the brief annexed. *Annexed,*

16. I. *Brief ex-parte the King for the St. John of Dunkirk, taken by Capt. Thomas, employed under Sir Thomas Button.*

Dec. 3. Falmouth Road. 17. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to Nicholas. On the 1st inst. set sail with his Admiral from the Sound of Plymouth. After eight hours sprang a leak, and was in danger to founder, for he pumped 800 strokes every half hour. Bore up for Falmouth. The carpenter assures him that he has found the leak, and that she will yet be serviceable for the voyage. She is a very weak vessel.

Dec. 3. Wellington. 18. Justices of Peace for the Division of Milverton and the Four Western Tithings of Kingsbury, in co. Somerset, to Sir Francis Dodington, Sheriff of the same county. There is sufficient plenty of corn in their division for the relief of the inhabitants, and the prices are, wheat 7*s.*, rye 5*s.*, barley 4*s.* 4*d.*, beans 4*s.*, peas 3*s.* 8*d.*, and oats 2*s.*, per Winchester bushel.

Dec. 4. 19. Petition of James Jeffreys, marshal to Sir Francis Willoughby in the expedition to Rhé, to the Council. On the return from Rhé petitioner was commanded to billet divers gentlemen soldiers of the regiment for a long time, among whom was Lieut. Stanhope, Lieut. to Col. Norton, who remains indebted to petitioner

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4*l.* 1*s.*, for want of which money petitioner has been cast into prison by his own creditors, where he has continued two years and upwards. Prays relief. *Underwritten,*

19. I. *Order for petitioner to produce a sufficient warrant for the billeting above alleged. Whitehall,* 1630, *Dec.* 4.

Dec. 4. Whitehall. 20. Minutes of answers to various petitions given by a Committee of the Council of War at their meeting this day. Among them are the petitions of Dorothy Cope, Dorcas Hamond, James Jeffreys, Elizabeth Darby, William Browne, Robert Chamberlain, Colonel Robert Farrer, and Capt. Porter.

Dec. 4. 21. Minutes of various petitions and reports upon petitions, prepared with a view to the sitting of the Committee of the Council of War referred to in the preceding article. Among the petitioners mentioned are Lieuts. Stephen Hussey, John Disney, and Matthew Mainwaring, Richard Bond, administrator of Capt. Bond, and Thomas Lowther, James Jeffreys, mentioned in the preceding article, John Cornewall, Richard Hill, Capts. Deacons Bull, Walter Fowke, and George Heigham, John Brooke, Henry Heigham, Jane Bell, and Mary Stamford.

Dec. 4. 22. Petition of Ambrose Groome, cook in the Assurance, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Being stricken in years he prays permission to assign over his place to John Greene. *Annexed,*

22. I. *Certificate of Philip Ward, Stephen Alcock, and others, of the sufficiency of John Greene.* 1630, *Dec.* 4.

Dec. 4. Carleton, near Penrith. 23. Thomas Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. Has written to Sir Richard Graham as the Sec. directed concerning the enhancing of moneys. Concerning the postages, a constant payment hereafter, with a year's pay in hand, and liberty to dispose of their places, living or dying, without check of the postmaster, would give most of them content.

Dec. 4. London. 24. Dr. John Moseley to the same. Hoped to have had opportunity to have spoken with him and the Lord Treasurer, how it would redound to the advancing of his Majesty's honour, and the promoting of peace with his people, to release those gentlemen that are restrained without the expected submission. There is now a very fair opportunity offered in the solemnity of the peace with Spain. Beseeches them not to let this opportunity slip.

Dec. 4. Ludlow Castle. 25. Sir John Bridgeman, Sir Nicholas Overbury, Sir Marmaduke Lloyd, and Edward Waties, Council of the Marches of Wales, to Sec. Coke. Have lately received his Majesty's letter, of which they inclose a copy, occasioned, as they conceive, by some misinformation, whereby, being deeply wounded in their justice and integrity, they thought it their parts by petition to present their grief for his Majesty's displeasure and their humble defence, which they send inclosed. Pray him to present the same when the Lord Keeper shall be present, whom they have desired to assist them. *Inclosed,*

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25. I. *The King to [the Council of the Marches of Wales]. Declares his resentment and dislike of their proceedings in reference to Thomas Adams, deputy ranger to Sir Robert Harley, Master of the Mint and of the King's game in the Forest of Bringwood. Requires reparation to be made to Sir Robert Harley, not only in the release of his under officer, but in the punishment of Jervis.* [*See* 1630, *Nov.* 16, *Vol.* clxxv., *No.* 61.] *Westminster*, 1630, *Nov.* 21. [*Copy.*]

25. II. *Petition of Sir John Bridgeman and the others of the Council of the Marches of Wales before mentioned to the King. They have released Adams in obedience to the King's directions, but set forth the circumstances, which show that Sir Robert Harley had never complained of any affront, and that the proceedings had all been in due course of law.*

Dec. 4. 26. Minutes in Nicholas's handwriting of business to be dispatched this day by the Lords of the Admiralty. Mr. Bond desires the papers concerning the abuses of the saltpetremen may be sent to the Attorney General, without which a bill in the Star Chamber cannot be prepared against Stevens and Hilliard; letters to Vice-Admirals to notify peace with Spain; instructions to the Captain of the Garland now peace is agreed on.

Dec. 4. 27. Colonel Robert Farrer to the Council of War. Gilbert Ware, formerly ensign-bearer to Capt. Stephen Countrey, in May 1627, resigned his office to John Farrer, petitioner's brother, and authorized him to receive all moneys due to Ware. Nevertheless Ware received and detained 22*l.* of the same moneys. Petitioner also lent moneys to Capts. Countrey, Hinton, Reynolds, and Paddon, in the Isle of Rhé, who all died in that service. Prays order for Ware to pay petitioner for his brother, and the treasurer and paymaster to discharge the other debts before mentioned. *Underwritten,*

27. I. *Reference to Sir William Courteney to examine the business and require Ware to pay or appear before the Board; and to Capt. Mason to pay the other debts on proof.*

Dec. 4. 28. Petition of William Browne, serjeant to Capt. Meautys in the late Cadiz action, to the same. Capt. Meautys received on account of petitioner three sums, amounting to 11*l.* 18*s.*, payment of which petitioner has solicited these two years past. Prays order to Capt. Mason that petitioner may receive satisfaction out of the arrears due to Capt. Meautys. *Underwritten,*

28. I. *Order for petitioner to bring certificates from the Clerk of the Company's book, or other sufficient proof of his debt, to Capt. Mason, that he may certify their Lordships. Whitehall,* 1630, *Dec.* 4.

Dec. 4. Ludham. 29. Bishop White, of Norwich, Lord Almoner, to Bishop Laud, of London. Dabb [?], a draper in Paul's Churchyard, having stabbed

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himself, some of his friends have been with the writer, signifying that he has left a widow and six children, and an estate of 2,000*l.*, with many desperate debts; also that there is a deed of gift made by him to the Lord Keeper's brother, and another gentleman. Before the jury has returned a verdict, his friends offer 300*l.* composition. Begs his advice as to accepting the offer. Knows there will be a loud cry at Court, as lately, in one Burgess's case, of Norfolk, where, because of the noise, having refused an offer, he has got nothing, but is put to a chargeable suit in the Star Chamber. At his first coming down into his diocese had been visited with a tertian, and 24 of his household had been sick. Finds his diocese in as good order as most places are. His suit with Sir John Hubberd [Hobart] concerning Brant Fen continues, and because of Sir John's power is very chargeable and dangerous, but the Bishop will do what he can to maintain the right of his Bishopric. Desires to resign his Almonership, and to retire wholly to his diocese.

Dec. 4. 30. Grant and confirmation by Sir John Borough, Norroy king-at-arms, of certain armorial bearings of Thomas Chedley, and Roland his brother, as representatives of the ancient family of that name in co. Chester. Lat. [*Copy.*]

Dec. 4. 31. Receipt given by Robert Chambers, servant to Auditor Hill, for certain letters, books, and documents respecting the accounts of the late Duke of Buckingham, and the jewels belonging to him pledged for the public service.

Dec. 5. Westminster. Proclamation that his Majesty has renewed the ancient amity and good intelligence with Spain, whereupon not only all hostility is to cease, but the former trade and commerce, as settled by the treaty made in the reign of James I., is restored. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 137.]

Dec. 5. Apthorpe. 32. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. Particularizes the loss and dishonour which she shall sustain if the stop given to her design of inclosing be not removed.

Dec. 5. Kingham. 33. Certificate of George Morecroft, H. Elsynge, and others, to Henry Earl of Danby, in behalf of Simon Hathaway, complained of by the Bailiffs of Chipping Norton, for buying corn to make malt in this time of restraint. Believe that Mr. Cornise [Cornish], in regard of a suit between him and Hathaway, has out of mere malice caused him to be accused.

Dec. 6. 34. Henry Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, to [the Council]. Their Lordships having referred to him the differences in the town of Huntingdon about the renovation of their charter, and some wrongs done to the Mayor and Mr. Barnard, by disgraceful and unseemly speeches used of them by Mr. Cromwell, of Huntingdon, as also certain complaints against one Kilborne, postmaster of Huntingdon, and Brookes his man, the Earl reports that the supposed fears of prejudice to the town by their late altered charter from Bailiffs and

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Burgesses to Mayor and Aldermen are causeless, and the endeavour used to gain many of the burgesses against this new corporation very indirect and unfit, and such as he could not but much blame them that stirred in it. For Mr. Barnard's carriage of the business, in advising and obtaining the charter, it was fair and orderly done, and the thing effected by him tends much to the good and grace of the town. Three constitutions, or local regulations, are suggested for the removal of doubts. For the words spoken of Mr. Mayor and Mr. Barnard by Mr. Cromwell, as they were ill, so they are acknowledged to be spoken in heat and passion, and desired to be forgotten, and he found Mr. Cromwell very willing to hold friendship with Mr. Barnard, who with a good will, remitting the unkind passages past, entertained the same. "So I left all parties reconciled, and wished "them to join hereafter in things that might be for the common good." As to Kilborne and Brookes, has written to some Justices of Peace of the county to make precise inquisition.

Dec. 6. Avington, near Hungerford.

35. Sir Gabriel Dowse to the Council. Being given to understand that the Lords had received information of disorders committed near Newbury, upon carts going from thence to Reading laden with corn, and desired speedy punishment of the offenders, the writer and Thomas Fettiplace, in the presence of the Mayor of Newbury, convented before them as many of the offenders as they could have notice of, twelve or thirteen poor ragged women, many of them very aged. Seven were committed to the house of correction, five others were whipped, and directions given for watches to be kept for preventing the like tumults. Want of Justices of the Peace for the Newbury division of the county. The writer the only one. Humphrey Dolman, Roger Knight, and Thomas Nelson are recommended for the service.

Dec. 6. Freefolk.

36. Sir Thomas Jervoise to Lord President Conway. The complaints of the poor so fill his ears with their miserable wants, being at this present like to perish for want of work, as he is bold to present the same to his Lordship. The King's orders do not the good supposed. Though there be corn appointed to be brought into the market, the poor have no money to buy. The only means they have to subsist is the work from the clothiers, which trade is now wholly falling, their cloths lying upon their hands, and the merchant refusing to buy. Many of his neighbours that are clothiers will present a petition, testifying their griefs. Beseeches him to assist them.

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37. Separate depositions of William Tyler and Thomas Rodman, in support of the claim of William Browne, preferred against Capt. Meautys, in his petition, calendared, 1630, Dec. 4, No. 28.

Dec. 7. Woolwich.

38. Francis [?] Sheldon, Clerk of the Cheque at Woolwich, to Nicholas. Only four watchmen are allowed at Woolwich. They watch by turns every night, and there is a porter at the gate, but they are all unfurnished of means of defence. Within these two

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nights a bark, riding close by the dock, was surprised by two boats well manned, who robbed her of goods to the value of 40*l.*, and escaped undiscovered.

Dec. 7. Watchet. 39. Justices of Peace for divisions of Williton, Free Manors and Carhampton, in co. Somerset, to Sir Francis Dodington, Sheriff of the same county. There is sufficient plenty of corn for the relief of the inhabitants of their divisions, and the prices are, wheat, 7*s.* 6*d.*; rye, 5*s.* 6*d.*; barley, 5*s.*; beans, 4*s.* 4*d.*; pease, 5*s.*; and oats 2*s.*, per bushel.

Dec. 7. Aboard the Garland. 40. Certificate by the officers of the Garland, that 483 pieces of their ship's sea-store of beef are utterly unserviceable.

Dec. 7. 41. Memorandum that certain papers relating to the misdemeanors of the saltpetremen were sent to Mr. Bond. On the same paper are memoranda respecting the previous sending of other papers relating to the same matter to the Attorney General.

Dec. 7. 42. Letter of Attorney whereby Edmund Meire, merchant tailor, of London, appoints Charles Franckland, of Westminster, gentleman, to demand and recover of William Gomeldon 80*l.*, for non-payment of 41*l.*, secured by obligation of William Gomeldon and Richard Hamby.

Dec. 8. Whitehall. 43. Lords of the Admiralty to Lord President Conway as Vice-Admiral of Hants. Send him proclamation of the peace with Spain, to be notified in all parts of his Vice-Admiralty, and to all owners and officers of ships within the same. No ship is to put to sea unless the captain take with him one of the same proclamations, or some other authentic signification that the peace was proclaimed on the 5th of this month, O.S., and that thereafter no ships are to be lawful prize on either side. *Inclosed,*

43. 1. *Printed Copy of the Proclamation of Peace with Spain.* 1630, *Dec.* 5.

Dec. 8. Carleton, near Penrith. 44. Thomas Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. In defence of his scheme for a re-issue of money at a greater nominal value. [*Considerably mutilated.*]

Dec. 9. 45. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Have examined the differences between Capt. Rowland Walters, of the Report, of Ipswich, and Daniel Cooper, purser of the same. Capt. Walters improperly ordered 96 men to be victualled upon 80 men's victuals; he occasioned an arrear of victuals upon the Anthony, of Ipswich, and his present ship to the value of 160*l.*; and he received shirts and shoes for his ship's company which are unaccounted for.

Dec. 9. 46. Passage of a letter of [Bishop Laud] to Dr. Samuel Brooke, respecting his intended tract on Predestination. Likes well that he means to have the judgment of such men upon it. Is yet where he

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was, that somewhat about those controversies is unmasterable in this life, neither can he think any expression can be so happy as to settle all these difficulties. Doubts whether the King will have these controversies further stirred, which now begin to be at more peace, and the rather because should that he calls smoothing the old way, raise any new doubt in opposite judgments, it would make more noise than ever.

Dec. 10. Serjeants' Inn. 47. Sir Thomas Richardson, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, to the King. Relates the circumstances of a quarrel and scuffle in which John Morgan, Thomas Throckmorton, Anthony Morgan, and John Minton were engaged, and in which John Minton was killed. John Morgan and Thomas Throckmorton had been tried and found guilty of manslaughter, and the writer thought that Anthony Morgan's offence was the same.

Dec. 10. Whitehall. 48. Order of Council. The mariners who served in the expedition to Rhé shall be paid only until the 31st of July past, for that they appeared not at Portsmouth, before the departure of the fleet for Rochelle. [*"Copia vera," attested by Dennis Fleming, but it is dated in* 1630 *by mistake for* 1628. *This is clear from internal evidence, and also from another copy, Vol.* clxxvii., *No.* 57. I.]

Dec. 10. 49. Petition of John Wright to the Lords of the Admiralty. Served purser in the Swiftsure for ten years, but having been suspended these three years, has wasted his estate, run himself in debt, been lain in prison, and is still forced to keep close. Prays them to take his miserable estate into their charitable consideration.

Dec. 10. 50. Petition of William Drake to the same. The Francis, of Calais, and the St. John Baptist, were about six weeks since taken by petitioner's ship, the Swan, of Lyme Regis, but by stress of weather, the Francis was driven into St. Ives, and the St. John Baptist into Dartmouth. Prays warrant that they may be brought about to Lyme Regis.

Dec. 10. London. 51. Officers of the Navy to the same. Return their opinion on the estimate of the yearly charge of maintaining the Ninth and Fifth Lion's Whelps on the coast of Ireland, presented by Sir Thomas Button. They conceive that 60 men is a full number; and that the victual being provided in Ireland will not require above 6*d.* a day, whereas 8*d.* is demanded. Sir Thomas's demands for boatswains' and carpenters' stores are higher than will be needful. For gunners' stores, an estimate obtained from Sir John Heydon is not half as much as Sir Thomas Button's. *Inclose,*

51. I. *Estimate of Sir Thomas Button above mentioned; the number of men being calculated at* 80 *for each vessel, and* 8*d. per day charged for victuals. Total,* 5,124*l.* 10*s.*

51. II. *Estimate of the Officers of the Navy. Total,* 3,534*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.*

Dec. 10. London. 52. The same to the same. A difference has been of late between Mr. Wells, keeper of the stores at Deptford, and Mr. Faulkener,

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clerk of the cheque there. Mr. Faulkener contracted with Mr. Burrell to take in and issue out the outstores at 12*d.* per ton, and now desires to make this contract reach to the instores. After considering Mr. Wells's objections, they think the contract will be a moderate and fitting one, but deem it not right to conclude without acquainting their Lordships.

Dec. 10. 53. Referees for investigation of Sir Allen Apsley's accounts to Peter Apsley and Stephen Alcock. To send to the referees on Wednesday, the 15th inst., at Sir John Wolstenholme's house, a schedule of all the moneys imprested and received by Sir Allen out of the Exchequer, or by any other way. [*Draft. Appended is a list of* 76 *claimants against the estate of Sir Allen, and a memorandum that there appears to have been received by imprest by Sir Allen Apsley* 303,292*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*]

Dec. 10. London. 54. William Drake to his noble friend ——. Does not remember that the person addressed desired to hear when Drake went to London, nor that Drake promised to stop the payment of his friend's moneys until the time of his payments. Will not do anything that will do him prejudice. Has received from Mr. Ratt, 400*l.* on his account.

Dec. 10. 55. Certificate of the Justices of the Peace for Martock, Tintenhull, and various other hundreds, in co. Somerset, as to the quantities of corn found in those hundreds, and their proceedings in abating the number of alehouse-keepers, regulating rogues and vagabonds, and relieving the poor. Salt and oatmeal, with which the poor people were wont at an easy rate to relieve themselves, are now grown to very high prices, by reason the merchants monopolize the salt, and the clothier in the making of his mingled cloths, consumes an infinite quantity of oats.

Dec. 11. Leicester. 56. Justices of Peace of co. Leicester to the Council. Excuse the tardiness of their certificate, they having been prevented holding a sessions on two occasions by the absence of the Clerk of the Peace, whose father is a maltster. Stratagems of the holders of corn to raise the price of the markets, and the inability of the Justices to prevent them. Some of them refuse to be bound to appear before the Council, "and then we know not what further to say unto them, "more than a terrifying threatening, which some for fear value, "others not at all." Return the prices of corn, similar to some before mentioned.

Dec. 11. Bodmin. 57. Sir John Roe, late Sheriff of Cornwall, to the same. By reason of due respect had by the Justices to the orders of the Council, the markets have been plentifully furnished, and the export of corn is carefully reformed. But the price of corn still increases, from the report of scarcity in some parts of the kingdom. Wheat is 9½*d.*, barley, 5½*d.*, and oats at 2½*d.* per gallon. Rates it by the gallon, because the bushel in that country is uncertain. Has delivered their last letter to Sir John Trelawney, his successor.

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Dec. 11. 58. Minutes by Nicholas, of business to be considered by the Lords of the Admiralty. Among them divers petitions and references that have lain long, some of them half a year, in Nicholas's hands. The attention of the Lords was to be drawn to a grant made to David Ramsey, of two parts of all pirates goods happening in Ireland for 21 years. This was objected to, the like never having been granted to any one but the Lord Admiral. From a marginal memorandum, it appears that the Lords disapproved of this grant, as a thing unfit to proceed, but resolved nothing, because the rest of the Lords were absent.

Dec. 11. Swansea. 59. William Herbert and others to the Lords of the Admiralty. Under a Commission from the Court of Admiralty, dated the 2nd inst., for seizing the St. Michael to his Majesty's use, they repaired on board that ship, and read their commission, but by Henry Mansell, a Justice of the Peace, with divers other unruly persons, were forcibly ejected, and have been unable to recover possession. Mansell and Matthew Francklyn have embezzled and daily diminish the merchandize of the ship.

Dec. 11. Swansea. 60. The same to Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, Lord Chamberlain. Relate the circumstances mentioned in the preceding letter. The ship is of great value; but such as now possess her being men of desperate fortunes, are likely to embezzle her lading. Thomas Mansell is gone to Court with some pretensions of service to his Majesty, but the truth is, that he seized on her to the use of the Earl of Worcester.

Dec. 11. Whitehall. 61. Lords of the Admiralty to Capt. John Mennes, of the Garland, appointed to guard the Narrow Seas. He is to ply to and again between the Downs and the West of the Isle of Wight, to defend all ships belonging to his Majesty's subjects and friends from the spoil of pirates and sea-rovers.

Dec. 11. Copy of the same. [*See Dom., Car. I., Vol.* clvii., *fo.* 114.]

Dec. 12. Aboard the Garland. 62. Captain John Mennes to [Nicholas]. Has brought the Garland from Chatham to Gillingham, and purposes to-morrow to come into the Hope. Is victualled for six weeks, with an order for beer at Rochester, and is ready to sail when their Lordships shall order.

Dec. 13. 63. Questions and Answers upon theological subjects given by Mr. Archer, extracted out of his sermons preached in Allhallows, Lombard Street, on Sundays, in the afternoon, with this indorsement by Bishop Laud, "Mr. Archer's catechism, for which I "suspended him," and this memorandum, also by Bishop Laud, in the margin; "not catechising according to the Catechism in the "Common Prayer Book."

Dec. 14. Grant to Henry Earl of Holland, of fines due to the King for admittance to copyhold lands within the Lordship of Wakefield, co. York, whose fines are yet arbitrable and uncertain, by being

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excepted out of a composition made with the rest of the copyholders in 9 and 10 Jac. I., all which fines accrued between 5 Jac. I. and 28 July last, when the whole Lordship was passed in fee-farm to the Earl of Holland. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 14. Warrant for delivery of stuff to Henry Whittingham, for his livery as Groom of the Privy Chamber, in the place of Robert Levingston, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 14. Whitehall. 64. The Lords of the Admiralty to the Officers of the Navy. The Lords are informed that on sale of the St. Anne, Capt. Mason got into his custody, besides the tackle and furniture of the ship delivered by indenture to the Lord Chamberlain, the tackle and furniture bought by his Lordship. They are to examine what tackle has been delivered to Capt. Mason.

Dec. 14. Minutes of answers to Petitions given by the Council of War. Among the petitioners are the Rochelle Captains, Lieut. Hussey, Capts. Fowke, Deacons Bull, and George Heigham, Giles Williams, and Andrew Grandie. [*Written on the same paper as Vol.* clxxvi., *No.* 20.]

Dec. 14. Brampton. 65. Brilliana Lady Harley to her father, Lord President Conway. Her long sickness has kept her from writing. Has some hope now that God will spare her life. Prays for his long and healthful life, and begs his blessing for Ned, Robin, Tom, Brill, and Doll.

Dec. 14. Swansea. 66. William Herbert and others to Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery. The messenger with their former letter, meeting one that came with letters from Mr. Taverner, returned again, the messenger assuring him that Thomas Mansell had wholly submitted himself to the Earl. Such as retain the ship for him acknowledge no such submission. Such of the malefactors as they could surprise they sent towards the gaol at Cardiff, but by the way they were set at liberty by Sir Thomas Mansell. The chief offenders are Henry Mansell, Matthew Francklyn, and Rowland Vaughan. The names of others may be seen in the examinations inclosed. *Inclosed,*

66. I. *Information of John Francklyn that on Sunday,* 30 *Nov. last, Thomas Mansell took possession of the ship to the use of the Earl of Worcester.* 1630, *Dec.* 11.

66. II. *Examination of Robert Donnell that he went to require possession for his Majesty's use; he was refused by the persons in possession, who told him they had seized the ship for the Earl of Worcester, who would bear them out.* 1630, *Dec.* 11.

66. III. *Information of Joseph Price that Thomas Mansell seized for the Earl of Worcester.* 1630, *Dec.* 11.

66. IV. *Examination of Lewis Thomas, that Thomas Mansell and Matthew Francklyn delivered to him and others muskets with powder in the pan to shoot off if any came to the ship*

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from Mr. Herbert. When the boat came with a letter from Mr. Herbert, William Woolcock, one of the company, discharged a musket with bullet therein. 1630, *Dec.* 11.

66. V. *Separate confessions of Matthew John Rosser and John Morgan, as to goods sent ashore out of the ship by Henry Mansell.* 1630, *Dec.* 11.

66. VI. *Examination of Morgan Vaughan, as to Mr. Herbert's going aboard the ship, reading his commission, and demanding possession.* 1630, *Dec.* 11.

66. VII. *The like of Matthew Francklyn to the same facts.* 1630, *Dec.* 11.

66. VIII. *The like of William Woolcock, as to the same facts, and that Henry Mansell and Rowland Vaughan cast back William Morgan, one of the Commissioners who attempted to enter, and that he was in great peril.* 1630, *Dec.* 11.

66. IX. *The like of Thomas Richard, as to the incidents when the musket was fired,* 1630, *Dec.* 13.

66. X. *The like of Owen Vaughan, as to the firing the musket.* 1630, *Dec.* 13.

66. XI. *The like of Robert Donnell, as to Mr. Herbert's endeavour to seize the ship on the 8th inst., when he put the King's mark on the mast and read his commission.* 1630, *Dec.* 14.

66. XII. *Information of Robert Watkins and confession of Henry Watkins, as to goods sent ashore out of the ship by Henry and Thomas Mansell.* 1630, *Dec.* 14.

66. XIII. *Examination of Walter Griffith, as to the assault on Mr. Morgan, and incidents on the 8th and 13th Dec.* 1630, *Dec.* 14.

66. XIV. *Separate examinations of Henry Watkins and Edward Matthew, as to the original seizure, that Thomas Mansell sent a barrel of powder aboard, the reading the commission by Herbert, and the sending goods ashore.* 1630, *Dec.* 14.

Dec. 14. Aboard the Garland, in Tilbury Hope.

67. Captain John Mennes to Nicholas. Has received 12 tons of beer. Wishes warrants for his master, James Bamford, and his lieutenant, Andrew Mennes.

Dec. 14. Morton.

68. Richard Bagnall to the same. Begs him to remember his business to the Lords when they sit. Desires to make the same single proportion as his father-in-law did, which was 700 a week.

Dec. 14. Swansea.

69. William Herbert to Edmund Taverner. Urges him to procure them some other than written authority to seize the ship held by the Mansells. Begs him to consult Nicholas thereon, and to let the depositions be read to the Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, that he may be informed how fraudulently Thomas Mansell abuses his goodness.

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Dec. 14. London.

70. Thomas Hutchins, post of Crew Green [?], to "his loving "friends and fellows in office between London and Berwick." Had had conference with the Lord Treasurer for relief of their post wages. He confidently promised that they should have relief before the 15th inst. Sec. Coke hoped to procure twelve or sixteen thousand pounds in part, and to take a course for the residue, and that their wages should be better paid in future.

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Dec. 15. Serjeants' Inn.

1. Sir Thomas Richardson, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, to the King. Edward Marlyn was convicted for being bail in the Common Pleas by the name of Thomas Simpson, which offence is felony; John Clarke, Joan Moore, Jasper Laxton, and Thomas Phillips, were severally convicted of various thefts. All of them are capable of the King's pardon, especially Marlyn, who offended out of ignorance.

Dec. 15. Whitehall.

2. Order of Council. His Majesty's pinnaces the Henrietta, the Maria, and a prize vessel called the Niver, being of no further use, the Lords of the Admiralty are to give order for their sale.

Dec. 15. Whitehall.

3. Order of Council. Lands having been granted by letters patent to certain persons to be sold for the satisfaction of debts due from his Majesty to Sir Allen Apsley, and persons also appointed to examine the true state of the said debts; it is now ordered that the patentees make stay of sale until further order, and return an account of what they have sold, and at what sums, and of what remains unsold.

Dec. 15. Newbury.

4. Mayor of Newbury to the Council. Relates what he had done in reference to two assaults upon carts carrying corn to Reading, the one at Stroud Green, Greenham, in the parish of Thatcham, and the other in the parish of Speen. In conjunction, first with Thomas Fettiplace, and afterwards with him and Sir Gabriel Dowse, various persons had been ordered to be openly whipped, and others had been committed to the house of correction. A daily strong watch was kept for prevention of like ontrages.

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5. Certificate of William Flood, John Young, Ambrose Long, and Ralph Carter, to the Council of War, in support of the petition of James Jeffreys. They state that Lieutenant Stanhope was billeted at the house of Jeffreys on the return from Rhé by command of Lieut. Colonel Morton. *Underwritten,*

5. I. *Affidavit of Mary Jeffreys, wife of James Jeffreys, as to the amount due.* 1630, *Dec.* 15.

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Dec. 15. Edinburgh. 6. Colin Earl of Seaforth to Sec. Coke. Has received a letter from his Majesty to repair to Court with diligence, as he conceives for the matter of fishing. Will endeavour to hasten the Commissioners, and will be at Court before the last of the holidays. Recommends that the King hold firm in erecting a royal burgh in Lewis.

Dec. 15. Aboard the Fortune, pink. 7. Thomas Austen to Nicholas. There are certain sloops that have taken six or seven hoys and crayers as low as Harwich, which is farther than his warrant gives him leave. Also divers Englishmen in small boats in the Thames rob hoys as they go to and again. Wants supply of powder.

Dec. 15. Trinity College, Cambridge. 8. Dr. Samuel Brooke to Bishop Laud. Predestination is the root of Puritanism, and Puritanism the root of all rebellious and disobedient intractableness in Parliament, &c., and all schism and sauciness in the country, nay in the Church itself. This hath made so many thousands of our people, and so great a part of the gentlemen of the land, Leightons in their hearts. Beside, where nothing is done the weeds will overgrow the corn, as they do. For last Parliament they left their word "religion," and "the cause of "religion," and began to use the name of "Church," and "Our "Articles of the Church of England," &c., and wounded our Church at the very heart with her own name, and by pretence of putting down Arminianism, and defence of that Church against which indeed they took up arms. They who hold the very same opinions of Penry and Wigginton, of Hacket and Coppinger, in their beginning, cry out now "The Church of England!" and will have the Church of England to be theirs. Thanks for the Bishop's promise to read over his tract. His dictates against Fisher is one of the most novel, pure, lively, and yet substantial, judicious, and learned pieces that ever he read in his life.

Dec. 16. 9. Petition of John Smart, Captain of the Adventure, of Dartmouth, to the Lords of the Admiralty. By letters of reprisal he took the Lady of Conception, of St. Lucar, which, in the Admiralty Court, was sentenced to be lawful prize. Since which time he has been constrained to disburse above 300*l.* in defending the claims made by the French, which are not yet fully decided. Prays that the parties whose names are annexed should be called upon to contribute proportionably to petitioner's loss of time and charges. *Annexed,*

9. I. *List of names above alluded to.*

Dec. 16. 10. C. Coventry to Anne Viscountess Dorchester. Begs her to send by his faithful porter, Rubro, five pounds, which must be layed out about her brother Glemham's business. The Attorney of the Wards has played the knave most notoriously, but they have brought him about again.

Dec. 16. Wallingford House. 11. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a grant to Thomas Caldwell, of certain arrearages of rent.

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Dec. 16. Bristol. 12. William Willett to Nicholas. The Eagle of that place, a fortunate ship, has brought in a Brazilman, with about 300 chests of sugar and some hides. The ship, the Ark. The prize belongs to Mr. Hooke and his partners, the only happy man that way. The prizes this ship has taken have not been so little worth as 40,000*l.* She was taken the 27th of last month. The owners are very fearful because it was taken so near the conclusion of peace. They allege the ship is leaky, and therefore will discharge to-morrow, before the Court of Admiralty be made acquainted with it. A letter from the Lords for that presumption would beget two or three chests of sugars.

Dec. 16. Westminster. 13. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. Petitioned the Lord Treasurer to be enrolled in the list of the King's servants that receive wages, but there has been no opportunity of presenting it. Christmas approaches, and the Lord Treasurer is altogether without money. The Cardinal Richelieu has won most of the great ones from the Queen Mother's party. Espernon shall be made Constable, Vendosme is set at liberty, Condé called to Court. They speak here of 15 ships to be set forth to put the Dutch from fishing on our coast, and to be commanded by Sir Kenelm Digby. The writer much fears the event if it should be put in execution. On Monday the Spanish Ambassador feasted the Lords Treasurer, Arundel, both Chamberlains, Carlisle, Holland, and Conway. The gout would not suffer Lord Dorchester to go thither.

Dec. 16. Cholmondeley. 14. Tom Legh to Sir Thomas Smyth, at Ashton, co. Somerset. The writer's unfortunate sister is not married, although there was a jointure drawn and a licence gotten. Strange reports were made of her, which caused the marriage to swerve. Jack Legh's wife is brought to bed of a daughter, and his father avers he will be married. He seeks to destroy his house. The writer has a petition in hand to Lord Strange, signed by Lord Cholmondeley and Sir George Booth, and is well assured he shall have Sir Richard Wilbraham and the rest of the nobility and gentry. Nominates Sir Thomas in it to prove that the writer's brother promised to alter the conveyance. There is a prince at Knowsley, the Duke of Tremouille's son; Lady Strange is his aunt. But the best news is that Lord Gerrard's grandmother is dead, and he has 500*l.* a year fallen to him. Wishes him to write to Lord Strange about the writer's brother's promise.

Dec. 16. Swansea. 15. Separate examinations of John Russell the younger, John Smith, and William Dunce, as to the original seizure of the ship at the Mumbles by Thomas Mansell for the Earl of Worcester. Russell, the Earl's Reeve at Oystermouth, came on board to demand "killadge" for the Earl, and was present when Mansell took possession.

Dec. 17. 16. Petition of John Wriothesley, purser of the Vanguard, to the Lords of the Admiralty. The difference between the petitioner and one Wright, late purser of the Swiftsure, touching the embezzling of provisions, is now through Wright's false suggestions certified by

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the principal officers. Prays that before censure upon that certificate he may have a copy thereof.

Dec. 18. 17. Petition of Robert Throckmorton to the King. The consideration of another petition of this petitioner, [once annexed], having been referred to the Lord Treasurer and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, petitioner now refers to a certificate annexed., and prays a confirmation of old liberties and grant of new. *Annexed,*

17. I. *Lord Treasurer Weston to the King. The Attorney General had certified that he had seen charters whereby the manors of Samborne and Oversley, with leets, &c., were granted to Mr. Throcmorton. He had also seen Court Rolls of a leet held in the manor of Weston Underwood. Mr. Throcmorton desires to have these privileges confirmed, also to have courts leet in his other manors, and to have* de novo *goods and debts of felons and outlaws, &c. It is conceived that he may have courts leet and goods of felons, but not goods of outlaws, nor fines, unless restrained to his own courts. Written under the petition,*

17. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill according to the Lord Treasurer's certificate.*

Dec. 18. Whitehall. 18. Lords of the Admiralty to Jacob Johnson, the diver. About two years ago Sir Thomas Freke's ship, the Leopard, of Weymouth, was cast away near Castlehaven in Ireland, with 18 pieces of ordnance, and soon after most of the ordnance were taken up by Sir Thomas's own servants; since which time Johnson has recovered three or more for his Majesty's use. Sir Thomas Freke's ship having been used as a man-of-war, Johnson is authorized to deliver to Sir Thomas all such ordnance, he first giving Johnson reasonable content for his pains.

Dec. 18. 19. The same to Sir James Bagg, Vice-Admiral of South Cornwall. A small vessel of Dunkirk being seized for his Majesty's use at Arme, was afterwards, by some Holland men-of-war, claimed and carried away as prize; after which, being forced into Falmouth, Bagg's officers arrested her. At the request of the States Ambassador, and in favour of their men-of-war who ply on the Western coast, the said Dunkirker is to be delivered to such person as the States Ambassador shall direct. [*Copy.*]

Dec. 18. 20. Minutes by Nicholas of business to be considered by the Lords of the Admiralty, with marginal notes of their determinations. Neither Capt. Mennes's brother was approved for his lieutenant, nor Bamford for his master; Sec. Coke will speak to Edisbury about supplies for the Fortune pink; the Lord Treasurer and Sec. Coke will speak with the King and Mr. Ramsey about the grant to the latter of two parts of all pirates' goods.

Dec. 18. 21. Robert Salmon, Anthony Tutchin, and James Moyer to Sec. Coke. They find no great cause of exception to the beef returned from the Garland. It is fitting for men to eat, and the pieces are a fair allowance for four men.

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Dec. 18. Aboard the Convertive, in Cadiz Bay.

22. Captain Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. Yesterday they arrived at Cadiz and were extremely welcome. They keep their flag out as in the Downs, for the Spaniard is overjoyed with this peace. They fear the Fleet of *Nova Hispania* is taken by the Hollanders. The Armada for Fernambuck [Pernambuco] is ready to set forth from Lisbon. The Fleet of the *Terra Firma* arrived at St. Lucar last week with eleven millions of ducats. A ship of London for St. Lucar taken by the Turks.

Dec. 18. London.

23. Archbishop Abbot, Bishop Laud, and Dr. Thomas Turner, Commissioners for Causes Ecclesiastical, to Nathaniel Humfrey, John Cockaine, Roger Tudor, Thomas Ekins, yeoman, and Thomas Ekins, clerk, of co. Northampton. Letters missive to appear before the Commissioners in the Manor house of the Archbishop of Canterbury at Lambeth, on the sixth day after sight thereof.

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24. Information of Mary Wast, late servant to Samuel Castleton, of Thames Ditton, co. Surrey, and deposition of George Holding, also of Thames Ditton, farmer. John Grange in the middle of the night brought a deer to Castleton's house, where it was dressed and divided between them. The skin was thrown into Holding's yard, and Wast buried the feet, and washed out the blood and threw it into gravel pits.

Dec. 19.

25. Petition of Sir William Morgan to the King. Anthony Morgan and John Morgan, petitioner's unfortunate sons, together with Thomas Throckmorton, were by Coroner's inquest found guilty of murder for the death of John Minton, who was casually slain in the street; but John Morgan and Throckmorton, being arraigned at the Sessions of the Verge of the Household, were found guilty only of manslaughter and suffered the penalty. Anthony Morgan fled, and is like to spend his days in exile unless relieved by the King's grace. Prays pardon. *Underwritten,*

25. I. *Reference to the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas to certify the nature of the offence. Woking,* 1630, *July* 29.

25. II. *His Majesty, having seen a certificate by the Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, is pleased that the Attorney General prepare the pardon desired. Whitehall,* 1630, *Dec.* 19.

Dec. 20. Rutland.

26. Sir John Wingfield, Sheriff of co. Rutland, to the Council. There is scarce corn enough in this county to sustain the families of the inhabitants, and seed the land. Wheat is 6*s.* 8*d.*, rye 5*s.*, barley 4*s.* 4*d.*, malt 6*s.*, oats 2*s.* 6*d.*, by the strike.

Dec. 20. Welbeck.

27. William Earl of Newcastle to the same. Many parts of Nottinghamshire were and are yet so extremely visited with the plague that he could not with safety take musters therein. For Derbyshire, he sends certificate of musters and requests consideration touching some gentlemen who refused to contribute for granges whereof they are seised within the township of Brassington.

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Dec. 20. 28. Attorney General Heath to Sec. Dorchester. Received warrant for drawing up a patent for Mr. Wigmore for a place in the Marches. Without a fee it will not be good in law, but the warrant mentions none. Therefore he must draw it with a blank, to be filled up with his Majesty's own hand. Some late patents of a like nature have passed by the late Lord President's means with 20*l.* fee. The gentleman was a servant to the Duke of Buckingham, whose memory the writer shall ever honour, but he must not take upon him to set down anything.

Dec. 20. 29. Justices of the Peace for the hundreds of Anderfield, North Petherton, and others, in co. Somerset, to Sir Francis Dodington, Sheriff. There is sufficient provision of corn in their division to maintain the inhabitants and their markets for this year. The prices hold up somewhat dear in regard of the multitude of buyers.

Dec. 21. Sarum. 30. Bishop Davenant, of Salisbury, and Edward Lord Gorges, to the Council. According to their directions have taken an inventory of such goods as were remaining in the Earl of Castlehaven's house in Salisbury, and have taken care for their safe keeping.

Dec. 21. Hatfield Broadoak. 31. Sir Thomas Barrington to Sec. Dorchester. In eight hundreds of co. York they have followed the directions respecting the sale and price of corn, and have taken care that the poor may be provided for, by laying in corn in every town sufficient to satisfy them for this year, at such rates that the scarcity and dearth of these times will be the less bitter unto them. The markets have fallen, wheat being at 7*s.* and 6*s.* 6*d.*, where lately it was at 8*s.* 6*d.*

Dec. 21. Witham. 32. Justices of Peace for the hundred of Lexden and half hundreds in those parts of co. Essex to Sir Thomas Bendishe, Sheriff. Report their execution of the directions of the Council respecting the sale and price of corn. After taking account of what corn every grower had in his barns, how many persons in his family, and how many acres to sow, they had allotted how much each person weekly should carry to market at the clothing towns of Coggeshall and Witham, and how much at the boroughs of Colchester and Maldon.

Dec. 21. 33. Note that Lord Castlehaven was committed on the 5th inst., and that a warrant was given to William Willoughby, Christopher Willoughby, and William Wroughton, to take possession of Fonthill.

Dec. 21. 34. Note of goods found aboard a small prize which the Fifth Whelp rescued from the Biscayners in July last, and which goods Captain Francis Hooke, captain of the same Whelp, had converted to his own use.

Dec. 22. Whitehall. 35. Lords of the Admiralty to Captain John Mennes. The Duchesse de la Tremouille is returning into France, and is to be accommodated for her transportation. He is to be in Dover Road or in the Downs with his Majesty's ship under his command, on the 27th inst., to receive her Ladyship, and transport her to Calais or Boulogne.

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Dec. 22. 36. Attorney General Heath to his cousin Sir William Becher. Has taken the examination of Simon Hathaway and James Henshaw, both of Chipping Norton. These persons now return to Sir William, that he may take their security, according to the order of the Council.

Dec. 22. Westminster. 37. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. Thanks for his offer in money matters, but is put in hope of receiving some before the end of Christmas. Is assured there is not 100*l.* in all the receipts. The King went on Tuesday to Theobalds, and will be back tomorrow or Friday. The first Monday after Twelfthtide his Majesty goes to Newmarket, and the Queen will not stay behind. She is not with child, although the contrary was sent into France two months since by young Goring, for which he received a very good present. He is lately come over, and is appointed one of the masquers. Dispute at Verdun between the Governor and Toirax. The Marshal de Marillac and his brother both arrested at one time. Walter Montagu in great favour with Monsieur. Some think he shall be the next Ambassador, Sir Isaac Wake not being acceptable to the French King. Affairs of Italy will be compounded. James Elliot and Jo. Colborne are set at liberty, but deprived of their places and banished the Court. This day the Duchess of Tremouille has gone from hence. The ship that carries her brings Sir Henry Vane out of the Low Countries.

Dec. 23. 38. Edmund Howes to Nicholas. Two days since spoke to Sir Robert Pye, and briefly signified Nicholas's continuing integrity, and what had passed betwixt the writer and Nicholas for more than two years. He promised speedily to excite Nicholas to dispatch. The writer cannot stay forty days longer, for the whole work is already in the press. Prays him to listen "to this noble knight." Howes found him more faithful and forward than any other since the death of their worthy, renowned, noble friend.

Dec. 23. Bristol. 39. William Willett to the same. Excuses the nonpayment of the money due to the Duchess of Buckingham for the sugars he bought of Mr. Drake. Has received a letter from the Lords of the Admiralty for payment of money made of the prize into the Exchequer. Has taken a course that the money shall be paid, 120*l.* laid out being defalked.

Dec. 23. South Petherton. 40. Justices of Peace for the Division of Abdick and other hundreds in co. Somerset to Sir Francis Dodington, Sheriff. Report their execution of the orders respecting the sale and price of corn. The grain in store will be spent by the people of their own division between this and next harvest, a reasonable proportion whereof they have given in charge to be brought into the markets every market day.

Dec. 23. 41. Note of plate sold by Nicholas this day. It weighed 399 oz. 10 dwts., and fetched 106*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*

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Dec. 24. 42. Sir Robert Ducie, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. Reports that the sickness is assuaged; that the price of victuals is not altogether so dear as hath been at this season in former years, whereto has much conduced his Majesty's care for the strict keeping of fasting days; and that the water-bailiff has caused to be plucked up all the stops and stakes that appeared in the Thames above water.

Dec. 24. 43. Justices of Peace for the Hundreds of Dunmow, and the neighbouring parts of Essex, to the same. The scarcity very great, especially of barley, pease, and oats; not sufficient to serve the inhabitants. The markets well supplied at present, The principal inhabitants have assented to lay in corn for their poor.

Dec. 24. 44. Thomas Viscount Wentworth, Lord President of York, to Sec. Dorchester. Has been inquiring after the estate of Waddington, but is not fully prepared to state the truth of his condition; begs respite therein until his coming up after Christmas. Apologises for delay.

Dec. 25. 45. New year's gifts to the Royal Household, given by Lord President Conway, at Christmas 1630. Total, 22*l.* 2*s.*; but it appears by marginal notes subsequently written, that several of the gifts, amounting to 1*l.* 19*s.*, were not paid, "because my Lord died before "they were demanded."

Dec. 26. 46. Justices of Peace for co. Surrey to the Council. The price of wheat in the markets of Guildford and Farnham somewhat under 7*s.* the bushel, and much sold for 6*s.* 6*d.*; other corn proportionably abated.

Dec. 26. Whitehall. 47. Sec. Coke to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a bill containing a grant to the Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery of the Stewardships of Devizes, co. Wilts, Dinas, co. Brecon, and Brecknock, with the constableship and porter's place there, and the constableship of St. Briavells, co. Gloucester. [*This paper has been scratched across with ink, as if intended to be cancelled.*]

Dec. 26. Whitehall. 48. Minute by Sec. Coke of the King's pleasure to make the grant above mentioned. There is also added the office of Bailiff of Burley, in the New Forest, and the walk called Inneslow Lodge and Clipson Shrogges, in the Forest of Sherwood. All these offices had been held by the Earl's deceased brother, the Earl of Pembroke.

Dec. 26. Whitehall. 49. Sec. Coke to Sir Edward Moseley, his Majesty's Attorney for the Duchy of Lancaster. Direction to prepare a bill to the same Earl for the Stewardship of Monmouth and Grosmount, with the constableships of the castles of Monmouth, Whitecastle, Grosmont, and Skinfrith. [*This paper has been scratched across in the same manner as the direction to the Attorney General, No.* 47.]

Dec. 27. Chipping Wycombe. 50. Thomas Lock, Mayor of Chipping Wycombe, to the Council. Took order on Friday last, being market day, that free liberty should be given to all licensed badgers for the city of London, to buy wheat, for the use of that city, at such prices as by the Lords

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he was directed. But he found great unwillingness in the badgers, by reason that for two weeks past their meal had been taken from them, by direction of the Lord Mayor, at so low prices that they had lost at least 10*l.* on every 20 quarters; which, with exactions of officers, had discouraged them to deal any more in that trade. The market price was 8*s.*, but some of the farmers were persuaded to sell to the poor at 7*s.* Great failing of grain in the vale parts of this county. The market at Wycombe supplied out of Oxfordshire and Berkshire, where the commission of the writer does not extend. The badgers decline any longer to make a customary allowance to the poor, by reason that they cannot go on in their course of trade. Mr. Hackwell, Mr. Hampden, and Mr. Lane, Justices of the County, were eye witnesses of the proceedings on Friday.

Dec. 27. 51. John Harrison to Sec. Dorchester. His sister and himself not long since delivered two petitions to his Majesty, desiring him to give them to Dorchester, to put him in mind thereof, which his Majesty said he would. Incloses now another shorter petition. Is ashamed to make known his distressed estate, but is compelled by necessity now come to extremity. If no further occasion of employment for him, prays leave to seek it elsewhere. Seven times employed and twice recommended to the Lord Treasurer, from whom he yet never received one penny. Never poor gentleman that did service to a state was so slighted and neglected.

Dec. 28. 52. Certificate of Justices of Peace for the division of the Hundreds of Kintbury, Faircross, and Compton, with the Mayor of Newbury, co. Berks, to the Sheriff of that county, concerning their execution of the orders of the Council for the regulation of the supply and prices of corn. The poor of Newbury have their dependency on the clothiers, who forbear to set them on work, having no vent for their cloth. They are at present in a miserable condition, so that the writers fear what the event may be.

Dec. 29. Minchin Hampton, near Tetbury. 53. Justices of Peace for co. Gloucester to the Council. Have inquired in parts about Tetbury of such as have used oatmeal in the thicking of cloths. The clothiers, fullers, tuckers, and others who have dealing in the manufacture of cloth much admire that any should possess the Board with such information. The greatest clothiers protest they have not used a peck of oatmeal in a week, and most of them none, but the medley clothiers about Kingswood, co. Wilts, use some, but none above a bushel in a week. The clothiers are not able to undergo the great burthen of the poor supported by that manufacture, unless their Lordships take some course with the merchants that their cloths be taken off their hands. The markets are well furnished with all sorts of corn, and prices rather fall than rise.

Dec. 29. 54. Petition of John Potter to the Lords of the Admiralty. Served cook in the Seven Stars and in the Seventh Lion's Whelp. In the loss of the latter was one of those who were preserved with

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life, though with unexpressible danger. Prays appointment of cook in the Fifth Whelp. *Annexed,*

54. I. *Certificate of Peter White and others of the petitioner's competency.* 1630, *Nov.* 6.

Dec. 30. Norwich. 55. Mayor and others of Norwich to the Council. The scarcity and dearth of corn and other victuals lies so heavy upon the poor, whose number, by reason of want of trade, does so increase as the Mayor, Sheriff, and Aldermen are enforced to set themselves at a treble weekly rate, and to tax all the other citizens to pay twice as much as they formerly paid. The Minister and Elders of the Dutch congregation complain that many of the better sort of that congregation, finding that these necessitous times will draw on extraordinary rates for their own poor, threaten to depart from that congregation, and hold themselves to the parishes wherein they dwell. By that means their poor would be left to the oversight of the English overseers, who are already overburdened, the congregation must be dissolved, and the ministry of God's word amongst them must cease. Suggest that such an order should be sent to them as was sent to the Walloon congregation under similar circumstances in 1621.

Dec. 30. 56. Justices of the Peace of co. Surrey to the same. Having examined into the truth of the petition of the clothiers of Godalming and Wonersh, they find that in those parishes very little cloth is made, and that the number of poor people depending upon their work, and at present in distress, is 1,100 in Surrey, besides a great number in the county adjoining. By the inclosed petition it appears that the clothiers are ready to be ruined, and shall be enforced utterly to give over their trade, except course be taken for sale of their cloth. Touching the great number of poor, the writers conceive that the parishes will not be able to undergo so great an addition of charge. *Inclosed,*

56. I. *Petition of distressed clothiers of Godalming and Wonersh to the Justices of the Peace of co. Surrey. Set forth their miserable estate, having no market for their cloth, and being perplexed with the woeful cries of the poor workfolk ready to be famished, whilst the creditors of the petitioners are pressing hardly upon them for their debts. Pray them to afford petitioners help and furtherance with the Council.*

Dec. 30. 57. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. The companies of the Primrose and the Timothy of London, were paid to the last of July 1628, and no longer, for which they received express Order of Council, of which a copy is inclosed. *Inclosed,*

57. I. *Order of Council that the mariners who served in the expedition to Rhé should be paid for no longer than until the last of July* 1628, *for that they appeared not at Portsmouth before the departure of the fleet for Rochelle according to order. Whitehall,* 1628, *Dec.* 10. [*Copy.*]

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Dec. 30. On board the Garland, in the Downs.

58. Capt. John Mennes to Nicholas. Received the Duchesse de la Tremouille on board and landed her at Calais, whence he returned that morning at seven, and at nine came to anchor in the Downs. Four Dunkirkers came up with him and gave good respect by "selling" their topsails. Fight between them and a States man-of-war, who being too weak for them, placed himself under command of the Castle of Calais, who shot at the Dunkirkers.

Dec. 31. Whitehall.

59. Order of Council. Commissioners of Delegates appointed in a cause between the Earl of Warwick and others, and Francis Massola, of Genoa, touching a ship and lading, whether lawful prize or not, having giving judgment that the same were lawful prize, his Majesty, having been informed that the proceeding in that cause stood not with a direction given by him for a standing commission for appeals out of the Admiralty, intimated his pleasure that the parties should be called before the said standing commission to make an end between them, which was ordered accordingly. William Langhorn, agent to Massola, was much blamed for not having informed the Lord Keeper or the Commission of Delegates of such standing order.

Dec. 31. Whitehall.

60. Order of Council. On a petition from the Mayors of Reading and Newbury, complaining that the manufacture of mingled and coloured cloths was much decayed since a late order restraining the transportation of the said cloths to Delft and Emden, it was ordered that merchants not free of the Company of Merchant Adventurers, as well as the said Merchant Adventurers, might trade in dyed and dressed cloths of all sorts, so as they brought the same to the mart towns where the Merchant Adventurers reside.

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61. Certificate of Justices of Peace within the Rape of Arundel to Sir William Walter, Sheriff of Sussex, to be delivered to the Council. They state what orders they had made for regulation of the markets at Arundel and Petworth, and reduction of the numbers of badgers, maltsters, and alehouses.

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62. Petition of Tryamore Sparkes, prisoner in the Fleet, to the Council. Having unadvisedly let fall words whereby he had incurred their Lordships' displeasure, for which he had suffered imprisonment for 20 days, he acknowledges his commitment to be just, and is heartily sorry for his offence. Prays speedy enlargement.

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63. The same to the same. States more particularly the occasion of his uttering the words which had displeased the Council. Being free of the company of Clothworkers, and as such entitled to choose his trade, he had employed himself in brewing, and had always submitted to the regulations of the company of Brewers, but because he would not, or rather could not, be translated to that company, a multitude of them, with a constable, came to his house and carried him before a magistrate. This treatment moved him to utter the words complained of. Humbly begs pardon and prays deliverance Has been in custody three weeks.

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Dec. 64. Richard Aldworth to Lord President Conway. Craves his aid against some imputations upon his loyalty which had been communicated to the King out of Ireland. By his services in that country being utterly undone among all his papist friends, prays that the King will bestow some place upon him fit for a gentleman, or else a piece of money to help maintain him in his declining years, and that the Lord President will make some addition of his own free bounty towards the writer, his trusty instrument.

Dec. 65. Thomas Malet to the same. States certain objections to an intended legal assurance of the Castle of Montjoy. Reminds him to call in his statute remaining in the hands of "my Lord Richardson." If he will send the writer the patent of the government of the Isle of Wight, he will inform him what will be considerable in respect of its surrender, and for the Lord President's discharge.

Dec. 66. Eliza Lady Hatton to Sec. Dorchester. Excuses herself for writing what reference she desires to her petition. At one o'clock means to be at Whitehall, hoping to disburden herself of a thousand thanks.

Dec. Whitehall. 67. Officers of the Navy to Edward Faulkener and Francis Sheldon, Clerks of the Cheque of his Majesty's yards at Deptford and Woolwich. John Rawson, master carpenter in those yards, being dead, they are to entertain William Smith in that capacity.

Dec. 68. Notes out of a Sermon of Mr. Nye, preached in St. Michael's, Cornhill, at the morning lecture, on Jeremiah, xxxi. 18. The doctrine preached was, "that the sense of sin, if the heart be turned "against it, should not drive us from, but rather encourage us to go "to God, and lay a claim to Him." This was enforced by a variety of examples. It is added, "These things, and such like, delivered "by Mr. Nye, were so foul and so much disliked that Mr. Dr. "Dennison, an able and worthy divine, did preach divers sermons "against them." Indorsed by Bishop Laud.

Dec. 69. Note of moneys paid to certain enumerated persons within the last three years, it does not appear on what account. Among the payments is, "My brother Covert, 16*l*." There are several other payments to persons in co. Sussex. The total amount is 11,113*l*.

Dec. 70. Liberties claimed by Lady Vanlore within the Honour of Tunbridge, with note of such as were allowed.

Dec. ? 71. Petition of the Saltmakers of North and South Shields, on the river Tyne, to the Council. The officers of the Customs of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, by commandment of the Lord Treasurer, have prohibited the export of salt to foreign parts, and exacted security that all salt laden in that port should be delivered in this kingdom. The dearth of salt, and the fear of want of old salt for the fishermen, have prevailed with the Council to send forth this order,

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which not only trenches on the poor estate of the petitioners, but on the customs and the welfare of the whole kingdom. Pray that their answer annexed may be heard, and the order revoked. *Annexed,*

71. I. *Answer of the Saltmakers to the reasons laid down in the order of Council of* 8 *Dec.* 1630. *They assert that there is no want of salt in the hands of the makers, but that the dearth arises from the buyers not fetching it away, in order to beat down the price at Shields, and to raise it to the country.*

Dec. ? 72. Copy of the preceding petition, with the answer annexed.

Dec. ? 73. Another copy of the same, with the answer.

[Dec. ?] 74. Answer of the Saltmakers to an offer of certain projectors to supply the kingdom with white salt at 2*s.* per bushel. Salt is offered at 10*d.* per bushel by the saltmakers, and has been sold at Shields for many years together at 9*d.* per bushel. The projectors will sell but eight gallons to the bushel, and will gain 100,000*l.* per annum, although they give the King 10*s.* per way, being 10*s.* out of every 40 bushels.

[Dec.] 75. Petition of Edmund Ludlow and Elizabeth his wife to the Council. On their former petition the board referred the complaint of petitioners against Henry Ludlow, father of Edmund, to the Judges of Assize for Hants, for settlement. The Judges ordered Henry Ludlow to pay certain annuities, but he has neglected to pay the same. Pray them to call Henry Ludlow before them to show cause. *Annexed,*

75. I. *Certificate of Lord Chief Justice Richardson and Baron Denham. Set forth their proceedings under the letter of the Council of* 25 *June* 1630. *They called Henry Ludlow before them and thought fit that he should make certain payments to his son Edmund, during the life of Dame Margaret Ludlow, Viscountess Bindon, mother-in-law to the said Henry, and certain other payments after her decease. They are informed that the same payments have not been completely made, and that for lack of the same, the said Edmund is still detained in prison, and his wife is in much distress.* 1630, *Nov.* 22.

[Dec.] 76. Sir Thomas Canon to Nicholas. Reminds him to give direction for a Commission to inquire respecting a ship wrecked within the parish of Castle Martin, co. Pembroke, and seized by Henry Lort, as Lord of the Manor.

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Warrant intended to be under the signet to Thomas Earl of Berks and Sec. Dorchester, for presesrvation of his Majesty's game from Wheatley Bridge down the Thame, and from thence down Thames Stream to Upper Marlow, and so across the country to Wheatley Bridge, and all that quarter of the country within this compass, in co. Oxford. [*Unsigned. Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 41.]

Warrant to John Philipot, Steward of the Manor of Gillingham and Grain, co. Kent, and to Henry Goulding and Henry Joules, for preservation of game within the said manor. [*Not signed. Ibid., No.* 42.]

Grant to Sir Edward Duke and Sir Robert Filmer, creditors of Edmund Randolph, who died outlawed, of the benefit which accrued to the King by the said outlawry, for the payment of Randolph's debts to them, or his debts for which they were sureties. [*Ibid., No.* 43.]

1. "A Second Present to the King's most excellent Majesty," being a treatise by William Saunderson, on Commerce, with the use and employment of a State Merchant, forming a second part to his former treatise of Exchanging. [*See Vol.* xliii., *No.* 13.] The views of the writer may be judged from the following extract:—"Freedom "of trade, great privileges and small customs, mightily increase "trade in other countries, yea, where they have almost nothing "of their own but their wits to beget trade, much more would it do "in these your Majesty's Kingdoms, which God has blessed abun-"dantly with so many rich and useful commodities, to beget, "maintain, and enlarge trade with all."

2. The original draft of the preceding.

3. Propositions submitted by Sir Robert Heath to the King, for stopping the growth of Popery, making his Majesty loved, honoured, and feared, and dispelling the apparitions of fears and jealousies in the people. The principal recommendations are the enforcement of the laws against recusants, the countenancing the King's Judges, who have of late been much undervalued, the observance of the petition of right, and the punishment of offenders in the Court of Star Chamber.

4. Another copy of the same; both are in Heath's handwriting.

5. Two treatises on Taxation; one affirming that it is expedient for a state to impose such taxes as are of little burden to the people, and yet are extremely beneficial to the public, illustrated by the tribute on sealed paper in use in the United Provinces; the other, that those taxes are most to be approved which are not imposed so much upon the pretence of public necessity as for amendment of evil manners, illustrated by the tax levied in the same country on frivolous or malicious suits.

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6. Separate accounts of the King's and Queen's daily diet, with the valuation of every article, according to the then present prices. The total of the value per diem is, for the King's diet, 24*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*; for the Queen's, 20*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.*

7. Table showing the cost of a diet consisting of five, four, three, or two dishes a meal. The totals are respectively:—634*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.*; 440*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*; 389*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and 230*l.* 6*s.* 10½*d.* per annum.

8. Note of the original appointment of William Earl of Denbigh as Keeper of the Great Wardrobe, and of the assignment of 16,000*l.* per annum for maintenance of the same, with a subsequent grant to him of whatever should remain unexpended out of the 16,000*l.* Under the last grant the Earl of Denbigh had received 16,853*l.* 15*s.* in 8½ years ending 15 April 1630.

9. Note of the russet cloth, shoes, and linen given away at his Majesty's Maundy, with certain other parcels included in the maundy warrant, but intended for the officer of the robes, as is pretended. The maundy gifts amounted to 97*l.* 8*s.* 8*d.*; the others to 115*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.*

10. Table setting forth the sum expended in liveries for the various members of the royal household in the 42nd year of Elizabeth, at four separate periods of the reign of James I., and in the fifth year of King Charles.

11. Copy of the preceding, with deduction of such items expended in the reign of James I., as either did not exist at the present time, or were paid at the Exchequer.

12. Petition of Sir Francis Crane, in behalf of Frances Duchess of Richmond and Lennox and of himself, to the Council. Being authorized by letters patent to issue such farthing tokens as should be in use in England and Ireland, and bound to rechange the same, some persons have counterfeited great quantities of them. Prays the Lords to direct their letters into Durham for apprehension of divers offenders, and to signify the course they think fit to be taken with these and other similar offenders.

13. Report of John Reynoldes on the comparative values of gold and silver in the English coinage. He proposes that the monies should be reduced to the old proportion of 12 oz. of silver to be equal in value to one of gold.

14. Particular of the case of the Attorney General *versus* William Taylor and Robert Stephenson for counterfeiting farthing tokens.

15. Petition of Hugh Morrell, merchant, to the King. Of late English gold is greatly risen in France, pieces of 20*s.* to 25*s.*, and those of 22*s.* to 27*s.*; and not only our own, but Spanish gold also, as pistoles and ryals, so that great quantities are daily brought out of our kingdoms in secret and "insensible" manner. Prays a reference to the Council that some speedy course may be taken.

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16. Names of persons engaged in transporting English gold and silver coin, with the names of such Frenchmen as receive the same in France.

17. Petition of Peter Lennarth, Thomas Austen, John Dulyn, Mark Quested, and John Holt, fee farmers of his Majesty's lands assigned upon the disafforestation of Galtres Forest, to Sec. Coke. The disafforesting of Galtres has been duly executed, and lands assigned in lieu of common to the 15 townships interested, especially to Easingwold, Huby, Sutton, and Sheriffhutton. Inclose abstract of their proceedings, which, in case of any complaint, they wish his Majesty to be made acquainted with.

17. I. *The state of Galtres Forest, co. York, lately disafforested.*

18. Petition of William Willoughby, one of the Purveyors of [wood for] the Navy, to the Commissioners of the Navy [Lords of the Admiralty ?]. Has been employed in the forests of Shotover and Stow Wood, and has been in danger of his life for his faithful service. Understands that some have informed the Lords of abuses done by him. Prays that his charge may be given him in writing, and he be permitted to answer.

19. Book marked A, and entitled "Waltham Forest; claims enrolled." It is an index to claims upon a contemplated disafforestation, arranged alphabetically under the names of the places to which the claims relate.

20. List of claimants in Waltham Forest, said to have been extracted from bundles marked with the letters B, and C. Appended to these is a similar list of claimants who made their claims in the 12th year of King Charles.

21. Petition of inhabitants of the bailiwick of Surrey within the forest of Windsor to Henry Earl of Holland, Lord Warden, and Justice in Eyre on this side Trent. The said bailiwick is very much impoverished by the great number of deer that feed on the poor inhabitants, their corn and grass. In consideration whereof they have been granted a privilege for discharge of all purveyance and carriages, but notwithstanding are often troubled and charged, especially with the carriage of ship timber out of the Holt beyond Farnham, to the Thames. Pray his assistance to the King for the ease of this and the like service.

22. Petition of William Langley to the King. On 18 July 1628, the King granted him all roots and stumps of trees in any of the King's forests. Some of the forests being at the time in mortgage to the City of London, will not pass by that grant. Prays for such a confirmation as will include so much as was mortgaged.

23. Petition of Henry Earl of Stamford to the same. Is seized in fee, in right of his wife, of the manor of Armetree, co. Lincoln, and a fen called Wildmore, seated in a very firm and fruitful common of 11,000 acres. He and the commoners are charged with the pre-

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servation of banks, to defend the same from the overflowing of the Witham. By neglect of the banks the river has of late greatly annoyed the fen, and in the dead of winter, 1628, Sir Anthony Thomas and others of the undertakers obtained that 4,000 acres were, upon view by the Commissioners of Sewers, adjudged to be surrounded, and a fourth part allotted to the undertakers for draining. Prays a reference to such as may interpose for an accommodation, or may report the truth to the King.

24. The King to the Commissioners of Sewers for co. Lincoln. By former letters the King signified his pleasure to have the whole level of fens in that county fully drained, and for that purpose recommended several persons, who have proceeded with that part of the level which lies on the north-east side of the river Witham, and being now resolved that the other part of the level, not mentioned in the former commission, wherein Sir Anthony Thomas is an undertaker, shall be proceeded withall, his Majesty recommends Robert Earl of Lindsey, Sir Robert Killigrew, and Robert Long to be undertakers for draining thereof, with other their friends and adventurers, provided they may have such proportions of land assigned them as shall be sufficient to defray so great an expense, and recompense them for their risk; wherefore the Commissioners are to proceed forthwith to make a contract with them. [*In the indorsement it is stated "this letter was never delivered."*]

25. Articles objected by the Commissioners for Causes Ecclesiastical against John Angell, preacher at Leicester, Wm. Sherman, of Newark, near Leicester, and [Thomas Nurse ?]. For inviting Dr. Leighton to Leicester, riding to Loughborough to meet him, and bringing him to Leicester with great joy and jollity, as if he were some great man, and there holding a disputation with him, as to the lawfulness of the Book of Common Prayer, in which Leighton was admitted to have the victory. They are also charged with having given out contemptuous words against Sir John Lambe, Commissary to the Bishop of Lincoln, and official to the Archdeacon of Lincoln, with having held irregular meetings for religious worship, omitted to kneel at the communion, and procured children to be baptised without the sign of the cross. [*Draft. Imperfect*]

26. Reasons why Bishop Neile of Winchester should grant one of the two livings, whereof Dr. Love was lately possessed, to Dr. Lewis, of St. Cross, according to the King's letters (*See Vol.* clxxiii., *Nos.* 17 and 24.) notwithstanding the Bishop may already have granted the same to Dr. Newell, the Bishop's brother.

27. List of persons excommunicated by Dr. George Parry, Chancellor to the Bishop of Exeter, with other particulars, designed to shew that he had abused the power of excommunication for the sake of the fees. [*Damaged by damp.*]

28. Aletheia Lady Sandys, widow of William Lord Sandys, to Francis Windebank. Grant of the next presentation to the vicarages

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of Loukestoke [Laverstoke] and King's Sombourne, co. Hants, with a proviso, that whichever of the two churches should first become vacant, the grant of the other should become void. [*Draft.*]

29. Sermon by Giles Thorne on Acts v. 34. [*Indorsed* by Bishop Laud, "The copy of Mr. Thorne's sermon at Oxford. Answerer in "the Act, 1630. That a minister having cure of souls is bound to "administer the communion to them that are infected."] Lat.

30. Petition of Giles Thorne to Bishop Laud. Has been accused, and by his Sovereign condemned and censured. As though that were too little, he now calls for that grand conviction, the mercy and forgiveness of the Bishop. In the most submissive manner implores his pardon, which will ever wed him to the Bishop's service.

31. Admonition to all such as shall intend to enter into the state of matrimony, with the table of persons whom a man or woman may not marry, set forth by Archbishop Parker of Canterbury. [*Printed. Indorsed by Bishop Laud.*]

32. Suggestions concerning ecclesiastical ceremonies; chiefly relating to placing the communion table, kneeling at the sacrament, the cross in baptism, and the substitution of the writ *de contumace capiendo* for that of *de excommunicato capiendo.*

33. Table showing the differences between the order of the Psalms in the Vulgate and in the Hebrew versions.

34. Observations upon the power of Bishops, under the Statutes of 32 Henry VIII. and 1 Eliz., to grant leases of the lands of their sees. [*Indorsed by Bishop Laud.*]

35. Christopher Counstabell [Constable], *alias* Nappleton, to [Sec. Dorchester]. Explains a fraud and personation practised at the Custom House, whereby priests and Jesuits pass. Offers service but wants money. In a year and a half has had 11*l.* Lost his goods in France. The Sec. and Lord Holland saw some part of his troubles at Boulogne.

36. Petition of Edward Ditchfield, prisoner in Lancaster gaol, to the same. About Michaelmas last petitioner, for using his conscience, was apprehended for a seminary priest, and committed to prison, where he has ever since remained in great misery. Prays warrant for his removal to some prison in London, when he shall be ready to answer when called for.

37. Petition of Capt. Henry Lane to Lord Treasurer Weston. The late King granted to Sir William Lane, petitioner's father, 160*l.* per annum, part of 260*l.* per annum accruing out of the lands of William Copley, upon his conviction of recusancy, which 160*l.* per annum was afterwards assigned by Sir William Lane to the petitioner. The rent having fallen into arrear, petitioner had, upon process taken forth at his own charge, procured to be found that the manors of Gatton and the Maze, in co. Surrey, valued at 20*l.* per

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annum, were worth each 100*l.* per annum. Prays a lease of the same manors in satisfaction of petitioner's demands. [*Copy. Indorsed,* "For Edward Ansell, in Rood Lane, Administrator to his brother John." *See Vol.* clxiii., *No.* 42.]

38. Petition of Thomas Sames, prisoner in Gloucester gaol, to the Queen. Her Majesty, according to that grace which the King promised upon the request of the most Christian Queen her Majesty's mother, by means of the Sieur de Briscaras, undertook to procure the liberty of petitioner, who has been many years at Gloucester, in case he could not be brought to London time enough to depart the kingdom with de Briscaras. That could not be done, because the way was long and the time short. Prays her to obtain from the King a command that he may be delivered to some other person, that so he may be enabled to depart out of the kingdom.

39. Petition of Zacharias Vander Steen, of the Province of "Luycke" [Liege], to the Council. Coming into this realm in a French bottom, in 1626, with some passengers who were suspected for priests, he was apprehended at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and was left in the custody of the Mayor, and subsequently committed to the common gaol, where he had lain three years and more, having neither friends, means, nor the language to gain any help by. Prays warrant of discharge, that he may repair to his own country.

40. Compositions made by Viscount Wentworth with recusants, with an estimate of what they were worth per annum. Among them occur, under Lancashire, Sir Cuthbert Clifton, Thomas Clifton, and Mrs. Jane Stanley, all of Lytham, 100*l.* per annum, worth per annum 1,500*l.*; Sir William Norris, of Speke, 60*l.* per annum, worth per annum 600*l.*; Thomas Dalton, of Thurrnham, 15*l.* per annum, worth per annum 200*l.*; under Derbyshire, Sir Henry Merry, of Barton, 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* per annum, worth per annum 600*l.*; under Lincolnshire, Sir John Thymbleby, of Irnham, 160*l.* per annum, worth per annum 1,500*l.*; under Yorkshire, Sir Ralph Ellerker, of Reisby, 50*l.* per annum, worth per annum 600*l.*

41. Note of an arrear of rent due to the King from land in the parish of Sedgeley, co. Stafford, belonging to a recusant convict, and granted by the late King to Sir Ferdinando Dudley, son and heir to Lord Dudley. [*This note was prepared as instructions for a request to be made to the King for a grant of this arrear. It is indorsed,* "*Mr. Pitcairn.*"]

42. Information that Benedicto Bellini, master gardener to the French Ambassador, would confirm to Sec. Dorchester [?] that Bishop Smith, of Chalcedon, lies in the French Ambassador's house, in the chamber over Lady Falkland's, besides divers Jesuits more.

43. Note of Priests and Jesuits now in England. Among them are mentioned:—John Blundstone, a priest, son to Blundstone, in Fetter Lane, is now much "a[t] Pecadilly Hall," at the Countess of

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Shrewsbury's; Robert Keyes, son to that Keyes that was hanged at the Gunpowder Treason, much in Suffolk at Sir Robert Rookwood's; two of the Bradshaws, Jesuits, newly come over; they are in Lancashire, and are brothers to Captain Bradshaw that married Lady Butler; George Gage, a priest with his nose half eaten off with a canker, at his sister's in Bloomsbury, and much at Sir John Gage's, at Clerkenwell.

44. Answer of the Missionary Priests in England to the claim of jurisdiction over them as ordinary, asserted by Bishop Smith, of Chalcedon. Lat.

45. Questions respecting the administration of the laws against recusants. The writer aims at remedying the abuses of pursuivants, and considers what were the penalties to which recusants were subjected as the laws then stood, in what way those which pinch the purse were in practice moderated, and what had been denied to be altered.

46. The Way of Duels before the King; a transcript made about this time.

47. Book of legal collections relating to allegiance, to the union of England and Scotland, and to the King's prerogative in coinage, and various other matters.

48. Brief on the part of Dr. Corbett and others against Mary, the wife of Robert Ferriar, in a case of appeal, concerning the right of Mary Ferriar to sit in a pew in the church of Great Yarmouth, appropriated to the wives of aldermen.

49. Brief on behalf of Robert Thornton and his sisters against Henry Jones and his wife, executors of a will of Dr. Thornton. The suit concerned the validity of the will.

50. Brief of proofs on the part of Margaret Collison against Thomas Cliffe, in an action for breach of promise of marriage. [*Very much damaged by damp.*]

51. Brief in a cause between Standish and Charnock, concerning the right of Mr. Charnock to a family burial place on the north side above the steps of the chancel of the church of Chorley, co. Lancaster.

52. Extract out of the brief of proofs made by Michael Bingham, in a cause relating to an alleged will of Edward Wymark.

53. Extracts of two cases mentioned in Dyer's Reports and Brooke's Abridgement, indorsed as "Mr. Clarke's Notes," to which Bishop Laud has added, "concerning commendams and the King's prerogative."

54. Petition of the Registrar and other officers of the Court of Admiralty to the King. The Court of Admiralty has been heretofore the seat of justice, where businesses concerning ships and shipping

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received a present dispatch, but is now, notwithstanding the King's intimations to the contrary, so trampled upon by prohibitions and other overtoppings from the Common Law, that it is not permitted to determine any of those causes that heretofore were held proper to it. Pray that the examination thereof may be committed to such of the Lords as have relation neither to the Common Law nor Admiralty.

55. Copy of a release from Sir Henry Long, of Draycot Cerne, co. Wilts, to John Read, of Kington St. Michael, in the same county, of all tithes arising out of the suppressed nunnery of Kington aforesaid, dated 8 Dec. 1552, and extracted from the register of the Arches Court of Canterbury, with underwritten opinions respecting the legal effect thereof by Sir Robert Heath and Egremont Thynne.

56. Breviate of so much of the statute concerning probate of testaments and granting of administrations, as concerns fees or duties required by the said Act, with certain questions thereon. [*Attributed in an indorsement to "Mr. Rolfe."*]

57. Directions in the Court of Wards for receipts and payments of money there. The paper is, in effect, a statement of the duties on these occasions of Alexander Stafford, clerk-remembrancer, or his deputy.

58. List of officers of the Court of Exchequer; perhaps a table of contents of a book in which their duties are defined.

59. Statement of the duties of the Chief Usher of the Exchequer.

60. Particular note of such fees as were paid to the Four Tellers of the Exchequer and their clerks by various enumerated public officers. The payment was made on each hundred pounds received out of the Exchequer.

61. Similar note of sums paid by the Tellers for which they receive either no fees at all, or such small fees as scarce recompense the pains of their clerks.

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1. Petition of Sibell Aley, widow of the late Captain Peter Aley, to Sec. Dorchester. On her petition to the King, *Vol.* cli., *No.* 9, and the references consequent thereon, a book is now drawn up for his Majesty's signature. Prays him to get his Majesty's hand thereunto.

2. Petition of Captain Richard Bolle, late sergeant-major to Colonel Hakluyt, to the Council and Council of War. Petitioner was lately arrested at the suit of one Whiting, who supposes petitioner passed his word for the diet and lodging of Ann Bolle, his

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sister, which Whiting cannot prove. Remains in prison in St. Martin's le Grand without means. Prays his discharge until he shall have received his pay.

3. Letter of assistance to Alexander Erskine in the levying and embarking of 400 Scottishmen, voluntaries, remaining in London, for recruiting the English regiments serving under the King of France. [*Unsigned and undated.*]

4. Petition of Sir Wm. Erwyne, father of Sir Wm. Cunningham, who was slain in the Isle of Rhé, and of the remainder of Sir William's troop, with the widows and executors of those who lost husbands and kindred in that service, to the King. Capt. Mason and Mr. Ayers, his deputy, pretend that they have paid the arrears due to petitioners to the Earl of Newport, who denies the receipt. Capt. Mason above two years ago received their pay out of the Exchequer. Pray order for undelayed payment.

5. Petition of officers who served under Captain Francis Hammond, in the service of the King of Denmark, to the Council. Their captain being gone to seek his pay, they pray the Council's order to him to receive the petitioners' means with his own.

6. Petition of Captain Peter Hone, late lieutenant-colonel, Sergeant-major Taylor, and Captain John Powell, to the King. Having served his Majesty and his predecessors 37 years, and each of them received three shots by bullets, besides giving up their commands in the Low Countries to join the expeditions to Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle, they pray his Majesty to sign a blank for making an English viscount.

7. Petition of Captain Humes to the same. Had served in many foreign countries as captain, and also in the King of Sweden's wars. That King had now sent for him into Mickle Bury land [Mecklenburgh ?]. Prays leave for himself and 120 men. If it please the King to send letters to the King of Sweden, they shall be safely delivered.

8. Petition of Robert Joanes to the Council. At the time of the expedition to Rhé he was pressed out of Brill, co. Buckingham; served also at Rochelle, where he was wounded. Prays letters for a pension in that county.

9. Petition of Captains Jucks, Brunkard, Chamberlain, and Broughton to the Council of War. They had served in behalf of his Majesty in the late wars of the King of Denmark for 18 months. 1,200*l.* due to them. Can save his Majesty in his account with Denmark for this service above 12,000*l.* Pray that their case may be considered.

10. Petition of Robert Leigh, Quartermaster in the expedition to Rhé, to the King. Having lived 12 or 14 years in France, Italy, and Germany as a soldier, he came from Venice and was employed in the expedition to Rhé. Had ever since continued as an officer in

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his Majesty's service, but can receive no satisfaction by reason of the scarcity of money. Prays that the order of knighthood may be bestowed upon his nearest kinsman, Robert Leigh, whose ancestors have had that degree above 300 years, and his father was one of the first knights made by King James. He will take it for an ample satisfaction for all his services.

11. Petition of Thomas Lowther to the Council. On his Majesty's edict for crediting soldiers until their pay came in, petitioner trusted Richard Bond, son and administrator of Capt. Richard Bond, slain at Rhé, 149*l.*; and Henry Honiwood, brother and administrator of Lieut. Anthony Honiwood, also slain there, 40*l.* There remains due to Capt. Bond 39*l.*, and to Lieut. Honiwood 40*l.*, which sums the administrators have assigned to him. Is in great misery in consequence of nonpayment of those debts. Prays order that he may be paid the 39*l.* and 40*l.* *Underwritten, "nihil."*

12. Petition of Capt. John Manley to the Council. Brought from his fortunes in the Low Countries, and served the King four years and a half. Attended nine months to receive his entertainment, but obtained only 64*l.* out of 180*l.* Prays recommendation to the Prince of Orange, and an allowance to defray his charges thither.

13. Petition of Francis Mosse, the younger, one of the clerks of the train of artillery in Rhé, to Lord Treasurer Weston. There is due to him for his service in Rhé, 27*l.* 8*s.* On the return of the fleet was at great charges in discovering arms taken up by seamen at the landing and retreat of our men. Prays for a gratuity.

14. Petition of Edward Owldakar to the Council. Was impressed six times forth of his native country, and served in the wars of Queen Elizabeth in Ireland, and of King James under Count Mansfeldt. Being aged and maimed, he prays letters to the Justices of co. Hereford for a pension.

15. Petition of George Purefoy, Lieutenant to Captain John Talbot in the wars of the King of Denmark, under General Sir Charles Morgan, to the Council. Through ill health, with his General's consent, petitioner did depart his employment in the wars, and is consequently denied his entertainment by the Paymaster. Prays order for his receipt thereof.

16. Petition of William Radcliffe to the Council. By accounts of Burlamachi and Calandrini, there is due 131*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.* to Sir John Radcliffe, for service in the Low Countries, which amount is challenged as due to Mr. Skipwith, Lieutenant to Sir John, who has also received 26*l.* on Sir John's account. Prays that these sums may be paid over to petitioner, as administrator.

17. Petition of Josias Tymcock to the Council of War. Was corporal to Capt. Francisco Valerio in the regiment of Colonel Leveston, at 3 rix-dollars a month, amounting to 12*l.* Prays refer-

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ence to Mr. Burlamachi to stay the captain's moneys until he come out of Holland, or petitioner prove the amount due to him by the muster books.

18. Petition of Hugh Wakelyn to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the rest of the Council. Was pressed out of the city for the King's service under Colonel Morgan. Lost one of his arms at the winning of the Buss. Prays letter to his colonel to procure him some compensation.

19. Another similar petition of the same to the same.

20. Petition of William Weare, Ensign to Captain Thomas Broughton, to the Council. Had served 20 years, and been "shot "blind and deaf." Prays directions to the Justices of co. Hereford to grant him a pension.

21. Sir Francis Willoughby to Capt. John Mason. Explains the state of his account for pay, and various extra allowances. Among the latter was a sum of 533*l.* 6*s.* 8*d*, of which he had received only 200*l.*, and assigned 260*l.* of the remainder to Burlamachi in lieu of Sir Francis's daughter's portion. He was also to receive, with Sir James Scott, 30*s.* per day for his service in the army's business. The Lord Treasurer said, if he would be content with 300*l.*, he should presently be dispatched. He agreed to take the same. With old arrears, it made up 533*l.*, of which he had received only 200*l.* He had expended 300*l.* in his services, so that the 533*l.* was dearly earned with loss of his blood, his son's life, and his fortunes in the Low Countries.

22. Statement of the sum due to Sir Francis Willoughby for pay in his various employments, with the amounts paid to him on account, from which the writer concludes that he has been overpaid. Suggests an application for information to Mr. William Lake, or to Sir Francis, in Ireland.

23. Another statement of Sir Francis Willoughby's account, founded on further information.

24. Certificate of Captain Richard Woodward to the Council. Sets forth long services. Has received his pay, but beseeches them to procure him the King's gratuity.

25. Orders advised on by the Council of War, for the general uniformity of all sorts of arms, both for horse and foot, and for perfecting musters, and the exercise of horse, according to the discipline used at this day.

26. Description of various new engines of war. Fr.

27. Words of command in use at drill and practice of both pike and musket.

28. Epitome of military rules by William Douglas. Lat.

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29. Petition of John All, baker, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Edward Rider had preferred a bill against petitioner in the Star Chamber, for making insufficient bread for the navy, but the Officers of the Navy certified on his behalf, and sent to the Attorney General for stay of prosecution. Prays that he may be dismissed out of the said Court.

30. Petition of Robert Jones and others, late passengers in the Yellow Hound, taken by the Dunkirkers, to Sec. Coke. Pray him to certify what return has been made to the representations sent by him into Flanders, about their relief. Their goods were taken in the Yellow Hound, and they are most poor and miserable.

31. Case of the appellant in the cause of Lopez against Daniel le Clerke, for recovery of the Nostra Seniora de Rosario, and the goods therein.

32. Petition of Daniel le Clerke and Company, subjects of the United Provinces, to the Court of Delegates. Under a commission from the Prince of Orange, took the Portuguese ship, the Nostra Seniora de Rosario, and had a decree for its condemnation in the Court of Admiralty. Delivery had been stayed by a letter from his Majesty; but that having been withdrawn and an appeal lodged, petitioners pray that the ship may be delivered to them on security to answer the amount.

33. Application for discharge of a prize ship, the Lewis, of Olona, and that the same be delivered to Capt. Petitfils, for his Majesty's service. Fr. *Underwritten,*

33. I. *Minute by Nicholas of an order to be issued to the Captain of Cowes Castle to deliver the same ship accordingly.*

34. Petition of John Mason, late Captain of the Little Sapphire, fireship, to the Council of War. Relates the service done by his fireship, in the attack on the French ships at Rochelle. Prays reward.

35. Petition of the same to the same. Prays order to John Carsby, master of the Speedwell, to deliver to him a cable and anchor, given him by the Earl of Lindsey, in reward of the services mentioned in the preceding petition.

36. Warrant for payment of 500*l.* by way of advance, to Sir Henry Mervyn, Admiral of the Narrow Seas, to be defalked off his demand of 8,110*l.*, alleged to be due to him, but the accounts whereof are not yet cast up. [*Draft.*]

37. Petition of Henry Dunning, captain of the Minniken, ketch, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Received captain's wages until the Minniken was ordered to attend the Constant Reformation as her pinnace, whereupon the Paymaster denies petitioner his former pay. Prays an order for continuance of his captain's wages.

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38. Petition of George Rookes and Robert Woodroffe, merchants, to Sec. Dorchester. Signified to the Council his Majesty's pleasure to lend the Esperance to petitioners and Francis Blizard. Blizard being dead, the Officers of the Navy deny the delivery to the survivors without a new warrant. Pray him to give order for passing the same.

39. Petition of ship carpenters employed in his Majesty's works at Woolwich to the King. The King's works for building of ships expiring, they are all discharged, for the most part in the dead of winter. Pray the King to commiserate their distress, and give order that they may have employment in the navy.

40. Estimate for revictualling the Fifth and Ninth Whelps for service on the coast of Ireland for six months.

41. Interrogatories to be administered to witnesses to be examined on his Majesty's behalf, in an investigation into the accounts of the Treasurer and Paymaster of the Navy.

42. General account of the sale of various prize ships and goods.

43. Names of the captains of the six ships which were taken by the Turks of Algiers.

44. A shipwright's book of repairs to be executed in some ship not named.

45. Petition of Thomas Clarke, employed for victualling ships at Plymouth in the last two voyages to Rochelle, to the Council. There is 2,200*l.* remaining unsatisfied of 6,200*l.* expended by him in the service before mentioned. Prays that until Sir Allen Apsley's accompts be passed, he may be secured from such arrests as the creditors threaten to bring upon him.

46. Petition of the same to the same. Had been arrested by two of the creditors alluded to in the preceding article, and is daily molested with further suits. Prays that he may be free from prosecution until satisfaction may be made to him.

47. Statement of the sums received by Matthew Bankes, John Fletcher, Lewis Tayte, and John Brown, the four undertakers for supply of materials to the Ordnance Office, from 1625 to 1629, with observations thereon.

48. Request of Anthony Ferebie for a warrant to search for all brass ordnance not upon record in the Ordnance Office, and to seize the same for his Majesty's use. [*It appears from Sec. Coke's indorsement that order was given to Mr. Attorney to prepare a commission accordingly.*]

49. Memorandum of an offer made by Henry Porter, of London, merchant, to pay 500*l.* for licence to transport 100 pieces of iron ordnance to Amsterdam or Middleburgh, such licence to be granted either by the King or by Philip Burlamachi and Philip Jacobson, the present patentees for such transport.

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50. Note of the grounds that induced the Council to grant the licence for transportation of iron ordnance out of England into Holland. The principal design was the payment of 35,980*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* all owing by the late and present King to various foreign princes and persons, except a sum of 3,615*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, part thereof, owing to Sir Thomas Button. The King was to receive 11*l.* per ton.

51. Petition of four of the principal Officers of the Ordnance (the surveyor, clerk of the ordnance, keeper of the stores, and clerk of the deliveries) to the King. For his Majesty's better information touching the government of the ordnance, they present to him the declaration annexed. Pray him to consider the same. They are most willing to receive any alterations which his Majesty should find necessary. *Annexed,*

51. I. *Treatise entitled "The ancient institution and form of "government of your Majesty's Office of the Ordnance." Certain rules which the now Lieutenant has devised have not been admitted by the writers because not deemed necessary.*

52. Copy of the treatise annexed to the preceding petition.

53. [Sir John Heydon to the King]. Sets forth his services from 1618 to the present time; his recal from the Low Countries by the King, "in compassion of his irreparable loss" [the death of his brother Sir William Heydon, in the Isle of Rhé]; his endeavour to render a faithful account of his charge at the Ordnance; opposition he had met with and expectation from the Commission of Inquiry. The Commissioners being daily employed in the King's other more serious affairs, the writer prays that assistants may be deputed to report to them the true state of the office. [*Draft incomplete.*]

54. Another incomplete draft of the preceding, with a variety of alterations, both in pencil and ink.

55. Another similar draft.

56. Copy of the incomplete draft of another letter or petition from Sir John Heydon to the King, for which *see Vol.* clxxii., *No.* 23.

57. Abstract of certain services partly performed, partly prepared, by the industry and mediation of Sir John Heydon, Lieutenant of the Ordnance, in discharge of his duty. [*Draft.*]

58. Another draft of the preceding in a previous state of preparation.

59. Brief of the irregularities of the Office of the Ordnance, drawn by direction from the Lord Treasurer, as a memorial for the view of the Lords Commissioners for reforming that office. [By Sir John Heydon? *Draft.*]

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[1630 ?] 60. Abstract of a Commission for inquiring into the state of the Offices of Ordnance and Armour.

61. Interrogatories for examination of witnesses touching misconduct attributed to Robert Thur[l]by, late a workman in the Armoury at the Tower.

62. Similar interrogatories for examination of John Medley on a charge of receiving armours to be translated and made good, and not returning them; with notes by Sec. Coke on armours said to have been omitted in the charge of Sir Thomas Monson.

63. Proposition of the Company of Armourers of London for accommodation of the disputes respecting a patent for a repair of the general arms of the kingdom, with a copy of a memorandum of the Attorney General underwritten, being a copy of *Vol.* clxix., *No.* 41. I.

64. Paper indorsed by Sec. Coke as "Clarck's proposition," for preservation and repair of the Royal Armouries in the Tower and at Greenwich.

65. Report on the Office of the Armouries, in the handwriting of Sec. Coke. It details the history of the office, the nature of its present establishment, with its defects, and suggests various reforms.

66. Copy of the preceding.

67. Draft of a portion of the above-mentioned report, in the handwriting of Sec. Coke.

68. Another similar draft.

69. Another similar draft. These are all in the handwriting of Sec. Coke, and exhibit the successive changes made by him in framing his elaborate report.

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1. An equal and indifferent division of the counties for making saltpetre, with the several proportions to be supplied weekly from each division.

1A. Another list of the saltpetremen, with the district assigned to each of them, and the proportion to be supplied weekly.

2. Another similar list, but of different persons, perhaps after the changes consequent on the complaints of 1629 and 1630.

3. Suggestions for a proclamation for the regulation of the operations of the saltpetremen. Sec. Coke has added a list of the saltpetremen, in which the sufficient are distinguished from the insufficient.

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4. Considerations on a proposal for making a store of saltpetre, in which the whole details of its production are stated.

5. Petition of David Stevenson to the Council. Had been deputed to furnish a certain quantity of saltpetre weekly, but wanting moneys to perform so great a business, he had taken Leonard Pinckney to be his partner, he furnishing a stock of 250*l.* Pinckney brought in 194*l.*, but took a bond for the whole amount, and now refuses to bring in the residue, whereby petitioner cannot perform the service. Prays relief.

6. Lords of the Admiralty to the Mayor of Huntingdon, Sir Sydney Montague, Sir John Cutts, and —— Ravenscroft. David Stevenson, Deputy for making saltpetre, having abused the country, and, as the writers are told, been indicted for his misdemeanors, the persons addressed are to certify whether he has been indicted, and what has been his misbehaviour or corruption, or that of his workmen. [*Draft in the handwriting of Nicholas.*]

7. Interrogatory for the examination of a witness as to his knowledge of a letter written by the Lords of the Admiralty to Thomas Hilliard, the saltpetreman, dated 22 July 1630, and its receipt by Hilliard.

8. Proposal for the supply of 240 lasts of gunpowder at 8*d.* per pound, provided the King's officers would furnish the undertakers with a sufficient supply of saltpetre.

9. Computation what his Majesty has been endamaged in seven years by the contracts made for converting saltpetre into gunpowder.

10. Account by Sec. Coke of the various patents for the manufacture of gunpowder in England, from 3rd Elizabeth, when she gave 500*l.* to a Dutchman to teach two of her subjects to make saltpetre, down to 1630. There is added a suggestion for new contracts, both with the saltpetremen and the gunpowder maker.

11. Considerations touching saltpetre and gunpowder, being suggestions for a new contract with the powder makers, and various alterations in the deputations to the saltpetremen.

12. Request to Mr. Collins to furnish the estimate in the next succeeding article.

13. Estimate by Mr. Collins of the charge of making 240 lasts of gunpowder, showing that the gain thereon to the contractors, if sold at 8*d.* per pound, amounted to 4,192*l.* 15*s.*

14. Another estimate of the cost of converting 50 lasts of saltpetre into gunpowder. Total, 4,751*l.*

15. Another similar estimate, more complete. It shows a profit on the 50 lasts, at the then present prices, of 1,139*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*

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17. List of annuities and pensions payable out of several farms and other his Majesty's revenues, together with the fees in the Progress Book, and such payments as are not contained in the Book of Pensions. Total, 14,985*l.* 6*s.* 9½*d.* per annum.

18. Particular of such persons as have several pensions granted by the late King and his now Majesty, payable out of the receipt of the Exchequer and other his Majesty's revenues. Total, 42,262*l.* 6*s.* 10¾*d.*

19. Account of payments and allowances made to the farmers and officers of customs, wherein is shewed how greatly his Majesty is wronged and abused in the same, and how they may be reformed.

20. Comparison between the rent reserved on a grant in farm to the writer, of rents, fines, and arrearages in Devon and Cornwall, and the amounts received from those sources in other ways, through Mr. Williams or Auditor Phelips. Addressed to the Council.

21. Statement by Henry Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, of reasons to prove that the fees upon special liveries paid by the Petty Bag to the Signet and Privy Seal ought to be equal, and the same to the Lord Privy Seal that is paid to the Secretaries of State.

22. Minute of his Majesty's pleasure, in consequence of complaints of the increase of fees, that the Commissioners for exacted fees make a collection of the true state of all proceedings that have been against every officer whose fees have been examined and certified.

23. The King to Attorney General Heath. Certain annual payments due to the King by the Company of Starchmakers of London are appointed to be paid to Francis Staveley and Gregory Julian. The King minding that such moneys shall be paid over by the said receivers to Sir Robert Karr, Keeper of the Privy Purse, the Attorney General is to prepare a bill accordingly. [*Signed but undated.*]

24. Draft account of the compositions for knighthood made with the Commissioners for Berks., with the excuses assigned for those who did not appear or pay. [*Indorsed is a note of the names of the Commissioners, and the days on which they met.*]

25. Names of such as refuse to pay for respite of knighthood in the town of Maidstone and hundreds of Maidstone and Eyhorn, co. Kent, with their several answers. [*This was probably the inclosure mentioned in the letter in Vol.* clxxiii., *No.* 30.

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26. Petition of William Wollascott to the Council. Having been sent for touching his composition for knighthood, represents that he is above 70 years of age, and suffers from palsy and epilepsy, wherefore he was unable either to wait on his Majesty at his coronation, or to attend their Lordships. For composition, has offered the Commissioners in the country 20*l.*, which he prays them to accept.

27. Petition of Henry Billingsley to Sec. Dorchester. The right of export and import of letters to and from parts beyond seas belongs to Lord Stanhope's office of Postmaster General. Petitioner being deputed by him has been often interrupted by Matthew de Quester. Implores the Sec.'s favour in settling him in the right of his employment. Petitioner is a creditor of the late Earl of Desmond for 500*l.*, and lost his wife's brother, Emanuel Thomson, among the "innocently-murthered men" at Amboyna.

28. Petition of Francis Corbutt to the same. Has been sick ever since he brought the packet of letters from Mr. Carleton, at the Hague, and is greatly indebted to a poor widow, who has maintained him throughout his sickness. Had order to receive 9*l.* from Sir William Uvedale, but Mr. Pay, Sir William's servant, paid him only 7*l.* Prays payment of the 2*l.*, and that he may have a packet of letters to the Hague, whereby he may pay his debt to the poor widow.

29. Petition of Thomas Hutchins, post of Crewkerne, co. Somerset, and Lichfield, co. Stafford, to the Council. Is prisoner in the Marshalsea, on the information of Ranulph Church, paymaster to the posts. Prays that he may be brought before the Council board, or that the matter may be referred to Thomas Meautys and John Dickenson, or an order be given for his release.

30. Petition of the same to Sec. Dorchester, entitled Earl of Dorchester. Similar to the preceding.

31. Petition of his Majesty's Posts to the Council. Suppliants are behind of their yearly wages above 12,000*l.*, there being owing to most of them four years and upwards. Pray that they may be forthwith paid. [*Underwritten,* "Rec. in March."]

32. John Baly to Sec. Dorchester. Propounded to him a business concerning the retailers of tobacco of great consequence to Virginia. If he will further this suit the writer will present him with 1,000 pieces, and make as good payment as any man.

33. Petition of the Companies of Grocers, Drapers, Fishmongers, Skinners, Haberdashers, Salters, Clothworkers, Girdlers, Stationers, and others, to Sir Robert Ducie, Lord Mayor, and the Aldermen his brethren. On information of the Company of Brewers the Council have written to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen to take order that the brethren of all other companies using the art of brewing should be translated into the Company of Brewers. Set forth reasons why

this will be very unadvisable, and pray the persons addressed to give such information to the Council that this dangerous innovation may not proceed.

34. Petition of English Brokers, lawfully admitted to deal between merchants in London, to the Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, Lord President, and to the rest of the Commissioners for grievances by strangers. Pray that for reasons annexed no stranger shall exercise brokage in any place in the King's dominions. *Annexed,*

34. I. *The reasons above alluded to. The chief is:—The disclosure of the state and secrets of English manufactures to strangers, and their consequent interference with home trade to their private enriching.*

35. Orders suggested by Attorney General Heath for the better regulation of foreigners settled and carrying on trades and manufactures in England.

36. Petition of Drue Burton to the King. About January 1630, petitioner, by a Discovery presented to the King, made it appear that his Majesty had been greatly overcharged for the plain suit of Vulcan, and in other arrangements connected with the manufacture of tapestry. The Discovery was referred to the Secs. of State, but no report had been made thereon. For presenting the same, petitioner had been dismissed by Sir Francis Crane from the execution of the office of Auditor General, whereby he lost 50*l.* a year and the reward of 15 years' service. Prays for an examination of the Discovery, and if the same be found beneficial to the King, that petitioner may some ways find the King's favour. *Annexed,* [*perhaps at some subsequent time*],

36. I. *Discovery of the great gain made by the manufacture of the tapestry. By four copies of the tapestry of Vulcan and Venus, manufactured for the King, together with other allowances also made by the King, the patentee had made a gain of* 12,255*l.*, *besides his gain on other copies, some sold here and others exported.* [*Very much faded by damp.*]

36. II. *Account of the cost of the first suit of Vulcan and Venus to the undertaker, and at what price it was sold to the King.* [*Similarly faded.*]

36. III. *Similar account with reference to the four suits of tapestry sold to the King.* [*Similarly faded.*]

36. IV. *Account of amount overpaid after allowing interest at* 8 *per cent.* [*Similarly faded.*]

37. The Discovery above mentioned, but differing from the preceding copy by it and the illustrative accounts being all written on one side of the same sheet of paper, and referred to in the Discovery, so as to be seen at one view.

38. Copy of the Discovery as it stands above, *No.* 36. I.

39. Copy of the paper appended above, *No.* 36. II.

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40. Unsigned certificate of some one to whom the Discovery referred to in several preceding articles had been referred for examination, generally confirmatory of the accuracy of its statements.

41. Copy of the same.

42. Suggested agreement with Sir Francis Crane for the sale of lands at Grafton, co. Northampton, assured to him as a security for 7,500*l.* advanced to the King, with proposal for the establishment of the manufacture of tapestry within the manor-house of Grafton, and the bringing up within the same of a constant succession of two boys as apprentices to be instructed in that art.

43. Petition of Richard Cruttall, of Benenden, Kent, clothier, to the Council. John Atkins and Robert Deering, of Hollington, co. Sussex, with the assistance of Nicholas Beale, had since the proclamation of 17 April last, exported great quantities of English wool. Prays that they may be sent for, and that petitioner may have such allowance for expenses as in the proclamation contained. [*Indorsed on this petition by mistake is an original reference, dated* 10 *Nov.* 1630, *of some other petition respecting accounts to Sir Richard Sutton and George Bingley. The reference was afterwards erased.*]

44. Another petition of the same to the same. Atkins having been brought up, and Deering and Beale sent for, petitioner prays that Atkins may not be released till Deering and Beale, with William Golding and persons named Goodin and Barber, have been examined.

45. Petition of William Deane, a late distressed French merchant, to the King. In the late time of hostility between France and England, petitioner lost goods to the value of 700*l.*, which he had in France. Has obtained a stock of 100*l.*, and desires to employ it in the importation of wicker bottles. Certain potters and seamen import the same irregularly, and enhance the price. Prays for letters patent for the sole importation of the same.

46. Petition of Daniel Dobines and Gilbert Havers, of London, merchants, to the same. In July last they shipped broadcloths and Spanish cloths to Rouen, which were there arrested, and petitioners fined, their broadcloths sent back, and their Spanish cloths confiscated. Pray redress. [*Copy.*]

47. Petition of John Dormer, John Webber, and others, merchants of London and Bristol, to the same. Six months past they surprised a ship bound for Spain, laden with corn, which is so impaired by long lying, that it is not vendible. Pray permission to carry it to Sallee, or some other port in Barbary.

48. Petition of the Drapers of London to the Council. After divers references of the business of the hot press, the Council appointed to hear it at a general sitting. As nothing is desired but

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what the late King thought fit, pray a renewal of his proclamation. [*Underwritten;*—"To a fuller Board."] *Annexed,*

48. I. *Proclamation of James I. for ordering the use of the hot press. Westminster,* 1619, *March* 22.

49. Petition of the Eastland Merchants, resident in London, Ipswich, York, Hull, and Newcastle, to the Council. Complain of the many difficulties in the way of their trade, arising from losses at sea, the burdens of war seated in Prussia, the trade of clothiers and mariners outward, and the interference of interlopers, who daily import Eastland commodities, not only through the Sound but from Hamburgh and Amsterdam. Hoping the late truce will settle their trade beyond seas, they pray that their privileges may be confirmed at home.

50. Minute of the particular regulations desired by the Eastland Merchants in the above petition.

51. Petition of the Eastland Merchants to the King. On a former remonstrance of the pressures and discouragements which lay upon their trade, his Majesty authorized their Commissioner, with the assistance of the King's agent, to seek redress. Their Commissioner had consequently agreed to certain articles with the Danskers, but the Chancellor of Sweden pretends that he wants a commission to reduce the high duties on cloth at that port. Pray for his Majesty's assistance in procuring such reduction.

52. Petition of Alexander Fellowes to the Council. Formerly presented four several petitions concerning certain clay for making tobacco pipes seized by Mr. Kirk and Mr. Maxfield. On the last petition a day was appointed for hearing the cause before the board, but that had been prevented by more weighty matters. Another bark load had now been seized. Pray hearing and restitution. [*Underwritten,*—"*Nill.*"]

53. The same to the same. Another similar petition.

54. Petition of the Farmers of the custom of French wines to the same. Notwithstanding they have advanced to his Majesty's use divers great sums of money on rents to grow due for some years to come, there is owing to them among the merchants on last year's accompt, 15,000*l.*, for part of which they have been forced to take 150 tons of French wines. The Vintners make a combination not to buy these wines unless at their own rates. Pray that the Master and Wardens of the Vintners Company may be dealt with to take off the 150 tons at reasonable rates.

55. Petition of Richard Greene and Edward Cadbe to the King. Although it is the King's pleasure they should receive reward for their service done in the malting business, yet they are by strong hand hindered. Pray order for their sudden dispatch.

56. Petition of Gregory Jenner, baymaker in Colchester, to the King. Abuse is committed by vintners in selling sugar to be drunk

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with wine in the taverns, as in a paper annexed is expressed, with a remedy. Prays for sole right of applying the remedy for such term and at such rent as the King may think fit. *Annexed,*

56. I. *The paper above mentioned. The abuse is that vintners buy the sugar they sell to be drunk with wine vented in taverns at* 18*d. or* 19*d. the pound, which they make up into* 18, 19, *or* 20 *several papers, and selling each for* 2*d. a paper, make of each pound* 3*s. and upwards, whereby the King is hindered in his customs, in respect that less sugar is spent with wine than would usually be if it were sold at a reasonable rate. The remedy proposed is for the grocer to divide the pound into* 16 *ounce packets, for which he is to charge* 2*s. per lb., out of which he is to pay* 3*d. per lb. to the King, while the vintner, paying* 2*s., is to sell his* 16 *packets at* 2*d. each.*

57. Petition of Thomas Long, Thomas Low, William Davy, and Charles Lynsey, Wardens of the Company of Worsted Weavers of Norwich, and Peter Barrett, late Warden, to the Council. Set forth orders for government of their trade sanctioned by order of the Council of 16 May 1617, by one of which any artificer of the same trade might seize yarns exposed to sale which were defective in length or number of threads, and upon trial so many "hespes or rolstaves" as should be found defective should be forfeited. Clement Francis exposing to sale 12 dozen of yarn, the same were seized by Peter Barrett, and nine dozen thereof being found false were forfeited. Whereupon Francis commenced, and notwithstanding notice of their Lordships' order, is prosecuting a suit against Barrett in the King's Bench. Pray that Francis may be sent for to answer the premises. [*Indorsed on this petition occur the following words.* "Mr. Cromwell and Mr. Kilboure [Kilborne], Huntingdon," *with reference to which, see Vol.* clxxvi., *No.* 34. Clement Francis was sent for by warrant on 8 Nov. 1630. *Co. Reg. Car. I. Vol.* vi., *p.* 157.]

58. Petition of Masters and owners of ships trading to Newcastle-upon-Tyne for coals to the Council. Some of the Hoastmen being lately questioned for short entries of coals paying custom, have endeavoured to procure their discharge by propounding to yield to his Majesty a new payment of 12*d.* per chaldron on coals shipped, and thereby to procure a grant that some few of them might have the sole vending of coals at Newcastle, and the only lading of ships. Ships have ever heretofore had a free market, to buy of any free hoastmen, of whom they might have best coals and truest and justest measure. Set forth the inconveniences which will ensue from such monopoly, and pray that they may be left to their ancient liberty.

59. Answer of the Fellowship of Hoastmen of Newcastle-upon-Tyne to the petition and alleged grievances of the owners and masters of ships of London, Ipswich, and other coast towns trading to Newcastle for coals. The petitioners had prayed for a free market. The answer is that all proper freedom exists, and that absolute free-

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dom would be to his Majesty's great loss, and to the utter undoing of many of the hoastmen.

60. Note of the misconduct of Walter Thomas Rive, towards the Justices of Peace of co. Glamorgan in their execution of the Council's letters respecting the restraint of unnecessary consumption of grain. [*Underwritten is the fiat of the Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, that Rive should be sent for by a messenger.*]

61. Petition of Roger Pettyward, Samuel Gott, and Thomas Pettyward, of London, ironmongers, to the Council. Had laden the Matthew, of London, with bar-iron at Bristol, to be delivered in London. The Mayor had stayed it. Pray that on bond not to transport the same iron, warrant may be granted for its discharge.

62. Petition of Daniel Skinner, merchant, to the same. Hoping to do good service, he had imported 200 quarters of wheat and maslen, from France, into Dover; but, having bought at a high rate, and the price of corn having much fallen at Dover, he prays leave to transport it to some other port which stands in greater want.

63. Petition of the same to the same. Petitioner had caused to be laden at Gottenburgh, aboard the Elizabeth, of Leith, 55 lasts of tar, and consigned the same to James Fletcher, of London, being ignorant of the proclamation prohibiting the importation of Eastland commodities by any other than the Eastland merchants. Prays that he may be suffered to land the said tar, promising never again to offend in the like kind.

64. Petition of Bailiffs and Burgesses of Tewkesbury to the same. Last year Tewkesbury, being situate on the Severn, and having vessels called trows built there, supplied the wants of Pembroke and Carmarthenshires with 2,000 quarters of corn, part thereof being still unpaid for. Several of petitioners have bought corn in those parts, where the same is plentiful, in great part for relief of the poor of Tewkesbury, above 500 in number. Pray permission to transport the same.

65. Petition of Thomas Thornhill, of London, merchant, to the same. Petitioner having in Ireland near 4,000 quarters of corn, which he is desirous to bring for relief of London and Westminster, he prays letter to the Lords Justices of Ireland to give way for his doing so.

66. Statement of the advantages which would result from the formation of a magazine of corn.

67. Suggestion that if the King would inquire by Commission, of forestallers and others, forestalling contrary to the proclamation of 28 Sept. 1630, and grant power to the Commissioners to compound with delinquents, good sums of money might be raised. [*Copy.*]

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68. Form of warrant given by the Lord Mayor of London and two Justices of the Peace, for the person named therein to buy corn for the supply of the city. *Underwritten* are the names of 14 persons to each of whom a warrant had been given.

69. Reasons of the Merchants Adventurers against the taring of cloth by an office in London, with answers thereto.

70. Petition of the Company of Weavers of London to the Commissioners for Trade. For better strengthening them in right managing the manufacture of plushes, satins, damasks, and such like, they pray that their ancient charter may be renewed with larger powers, and that no patent may be granted to Mr. Bushell and Mr. Carleton for preventing the dying of silk heavy.

71. Specification of abuses in the trade of clothing, with suggested remedies. Some of the abuses can only be remedied by a parliament; in the meantime, various suggestions are made of remedies by proclamations.

72. Defence of the Merchants Adventurers to as much of the certificate of the Mayor and Burgesses of Reading as concerns the vent of their coloured cloth, addressed to the Council. The certificate alleges that since the restraint of liberty of venting, their manufacture is reduced from 100 cloths a week to 40. The answer is, that this is the result of the liberty granted to interlopers in the 18th year of the late King.

73. Answer of the Eastland Company (signed, William Greene) to Articles propounded by the Hanse Towns. The Hanse Towns solicited liberty of establishing houses in London, Boston, and Lynn, with a variety of peculiar privileges. The answer is, that no such privileges are given to English merchants within their cities.

74. Remonstrance and Petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants Adventurers to the Council. Refer to their many past complaints of the losses they sustain by abatements made by cloth buyers in the Low Countries, under the name of tare, for the defects in their cloth. Regulations were made that tare should only be taken at the staple town. These regulations have been frustrated by the great advantage taken in the Netherlands of the false making of the English cloths, which affords a ground and colour for the tare. About 12 years past, the late King, by proclamation, gave new life to the statutes on this subject; but the searchers and overseers now appointed are such as have no understanding of the matter, and pass over, or connive at, a great deal of wrongful dealing. Pray the Council to send some skilful person into the clothing counties of Gloucester, Oxford, Wilts, and Somerset, authorized by their letters to see that the clothiers do their duties according to the statutes, and that the petitioners may present to them a proper person for this work.

75. Complaint of the Drapers of England, presented by the Drapers of the City of London [to the same]. Set forth the great

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decay of the cloth trade, and the reasons to which they attribute the same, and suggest various remedies. Among the reasons assigned by them are, the export of wools "whereby the stranger's wheel is "set going;" ill regulations of the mint, which destroy the balance of trade; impositions laid on cloth in foreign parts as well as here; loss by pirates; unskilful and dishonest manufacture; burials in the night; and discontinuance of wearing gowns and petticoats of cloth by women.

76. Proposals of Sec. Dorchester for rectifying the abuses in the mode of taring English cloth in the Low Countries.

77. Breviat of the reasons given to the Council by the New Company, against the proposed removal of the mart for English cloths from Middleburgh to Hamburgh.

78. Proposal for measuring and marking of cloths in England as they come out of the mill wet, by sworn measurers appointed by the sheriffs of counties.

79. Proposition of some Dutchmen much approved by the English at Delft, for settling the controversy about the taring of English cloths, by their being sealed in England as they come out of the fulling mill, the length and breadth being expressed upon a great lead, having the King's arms on one side and the numbers of yards on the other.

80. Petition of the Company of Merchants Adventurers to the Council. The edict of the States General for taring English cloths at the houses of the merchants buyers, and not according to ancient custom at the Staple or Mart town of the Company, had led to impositions which had drawn from petitioners more than the whole profit of their trade. They had represented the same to the late Parliament, and the House of Commons petitioned the King to deal with the States for redress. His Majesty referred the same to the Commissioners for Trade, who had reported that the tare ought to be brought back to the Mart town. Pray for the King's letters to his Ambassador with the States to deal effectually therein with their Lordships.

81. Articles of a new edict of the States General for regulating the tare of English cloth, wherein the objections made by the English clothiers were removed.

82. Remembrances touching the import duty upon English cloth into Flanders, tracing its history from the earliest period.

83. The town of Middleburgh to [the Company of Merchant Adventurers ?]. Set forth what they have done in accordance with the agreement between them for the accommodation of the English cloth trade, and allege their willingness to allow the merchants all the privileges they desire, so that the mutual friendship between them and that town may be continued. [*Translation ?*]

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[1630?] 84. Francis Williams, John Richardson, and Robert Tailer, to Anne Viscountess Dorchester. Pray her to intreat Sec. Dorchester to stay a patent for making salt for Essex, now to be granted to Mr. Motte and Mr. Stricson, who intend to ingross the whole trade into their own hands and lay waste salt-pans on lands of Lady Dorchester, and some lately constructed by the writers on land of her son, the young Lord Bayning.

85. Particular of the requests of Francis Williams, John Richardson, and Robert Tailer, above mentioned. They desired that the patentees should allow them the money they had disbursed in erecting their salt-works, and add the amount to the general stock of the patentees for the benefit of the petitioners.

86. Person unnamed to some one addressed as Right Honourable. Some three or four rich silk dyers in dying raw silks use slip of grindlestones and dust of iron and steel, and keeping the same 30 or 40 days in working, the silk draws into it the dross of the said stones and iron, so that of 16 oz. they make 36 oz. The writer prays that he, and such as shall employ their endeavour about the reformation of this abuse, may have some reasonable consideration for the same.

87. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a pardon for John Trott, of London, silkman, fined 3,000*l.* by the Court of Star Chamber for false dying of silk, on payment of 2,000*l.* by way of composition. [*Signed, but not dated.*]

88. The Eastland and Muscovia Companies, who are bound to supply the kingdom with hemp, leave the State to procure it from Holland. The writer suggests that a new patent be granted to persons who, under his directions, may bring all the hemp in Europe into the kingdom, and work it here into cordage. Proposes a primary reference to, amongst others, Sir Thomas Roe and Mr. Cradock.

89. Complaint of the flax and hemp dressers, on behalf of themselves and many thousands of poor people very much distressed for want of employment. The Eastland merchants have obtained a restraint for bringing in those commodities by any but themselves, to the great hindrance of many formerly employed in spinning and making cloth, thread and bone lace, and many other things. Pray that rough flax and hemp may be suffered to be brought in by any in English bottoms, and that all wares made of flax and hemp beyond the seas might pay an impost on importation.

90. Proposal for increasing the employment of the poor by sowing flax, with a statement of the great advantages to be derived therefrom. *Annexed,*

90. I. *What the poor man may earn forth of the crop of an acre of flax, assuming that one acre may commonly yield* 500 *lbs. of flax when it is dressed before it comes to the hackle. The amount for labour on the land and the flax is stated at* 33*l.* 17*s.* 6*d. per acre.*

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91. Statement of an unnamed person, addressed probably to Sec. Dorchester. The writer sets forth the advantages which England derives from her trade with Poland and the countries on the Baltic, carried on by the Eastland Company, and urges the policy of endeavouring to effect a peace between the Poles and the Swedes.

92. Project for a trade to be made from England to the lower parts of Germany, Hungary, Bohemia, Slavonia, Croatia, Carinthia, Styria, Tyrol, Morlacca, and other countries.

93. Means whereby the Italian merchants may resolve themselves to come and dwell for trade in England. The means suggested are, the grant of liberty of religion, equality in payment of customs and subsidies with Englishmen, and freedom to bring in or transport out of the land any goods without impediment. The paper concludes thus;—"the true means to benefit the commonwealth and to enrich "and enable the King's revenues, is to give liberty that every one "may trade wheresoever it pleaseth them, as well in transporting "goods from hence, goods not prohibited by the laws, as also in "importing from all places whatsoever, whereby the labouring men "here will get their living, and the King his custom; and for such "goods and merchandise as are imported into the land, the King "likewise shall have his custom, and the cities and country will "plentifully be maintained with everything, and at a low rate."

94. Petition of Richard Barnes, of Great Yarmouth, fisherman, to the Council. About Michaelmas last the Bailiffs and Burgesses of Great Yarmouth ordered that every fisherman should contribute 20*s.* for victualling two ships, sent to waft the fisher boats from pirates, of which fisher boats petitioner was owner of one. Before that order, he had made his assurance in London, in the Assurance office, upon the said fisher boat, and paid 5*l.* for assurance for that fishing season. Having previously lost three boats from the Dunkirkers, prays to be discharged without payment of the 20*s.*

95. Petition of certain fishermen, unnamed, to Sec. Dorchester. Complain of the size of the trawl used by the Barking boats, and suggest various new regulations for correction of abuses in fishing.

96. Discourse of Sir Henry Mainwaring, addressed to Sec. Coke, on the inconveniences and abuses which result from licences given to the French to fish upon the Zowe, a fishing ground which lies betwixt Rye and Dieppe. He suggests that the licences should be withdrawn, and that the King should appoint boats of his own subjects to attend the French King's service.

97. Brief description of the Isle of Lewis, one of the Hebrides, wherein is contained the nature of the soil, the manners of the people, the several fishings, and their seasons, also the places most commodious for a free town or mart for traffic, according as it was ordered to be done by certain Lords of the Council, and performed in 1630, by Captain John Dymes.

98. Duplicate of the preceding.

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99. Manner of setting out a fishing buss of 40 lasts to sea, with the charges belonging to the same, and the mode of packing and disposing of herrings.

100. Breviate of the Statutes of Scotland touching the fishings of the Isles thereof, having relation to a discourse concerning the same, represented to his Majesty.

101. Notes of Scottish statutes, principally that of Jac. VI., Parl. 15, Act 263, for bigging of burgh towns in the Isles and Highlands.

102. Secretary Coke to Captain John Mason, employed by his Majesty to treat with the Lords of the Council of Scotland, about the erection of a general fishing. Instructions to lay before the Council at Edinburgh the propositions which have been approved in England. A stock is to be raised by the contributions of adventurers; 200 vessels of between 30 and 50 tons are to be built, and supplied with necessaries, and the profits are calculated at 165,414*l.* per annum. Lewis is to be established as the seat of a continual fishing along the west coast of Scotland.

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1. Certificate of Robert Collyer that Mr. Asteley, usher of the free school of Bedford, had come into the school in drink, and in Mr. Verney's absence, had corrected the scholars most excessively.

2. Extracts from the statutes of the University of Cambridge, *De capite senatus* and *De appellationibus. Indorsed* by Bishop Laud.

3. Extract from, probably, the Episcopal Register of Ely, of a case of Sutton *versus* Cowper, tried before the Bishop of Ely's official in the church of St. Mary without Trumpington Gates, in Cambridge, in the year 1391. The case involved a question of jurisdiction as between the Bishop of Ely and the Vice-chancellor of Cambridge.

4. List of seven defaulters at musters in Cornwall.

5. Petition of Sir William Killigrew, Captain of Pendennis Castle, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Complains that Hannibal Bonithon, Lieutenant to Sir Francis Vivian, in the Castle of St. Mawes, has for the last two years compelled all ships to stay at the Castle of St. Mawes, and to make certain declarations as to their passengers and commissions, which have been accustomed to be made at Pendennis Castle only. This practice was condemned by their Lordships two years ago, but is still continued in contempt.

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Prays that Sir Francis Vivian or Hannibal Bonithon may be sent for. [*Copy of perhaps the complaint referred to in Vol.* clxxiv., *No.* 53.] *Underwritten,*

5. I. *Copy of statement of Richard Donnen, Capt. of the Thunder, of Southampton, who was stayed at St. Mawes,* 16 *Sept.* 1630.

5. II. *The like of affirmation of Peter Cadesine and four others, who had been frequently stayed to their great inconvenience.*

5. III. *The like of information of Thomas Tresahar as to the novelty of the practice.*

6. Justices of Peace of co. Derby to the Council. Send return of inclosures made during two years last past within the hundred of Morleston and Litchurch. Desire instructions what further order shall be taken therein. *Inclosed,*

6. I. *Certificate of inclosures above mentioned.*

7. Other Justices of Peace of the same county to the same. No inclosures in their division, but rather a general desire to increase and maintain tillage.

8. Certificate of Bishop Carey, of Exeter, dated 1625, Feb. 23, respecting the dispute between the Corporation of Exeter and Mr. Perryman, the schoolmaster there, and as to the establishment of another school, with underwritten certificates of Bishop Hall and the Dean and Chapter of Exeter, all in support of Perryman, and adverse to the proposed new school.

9. Petition of John Stoneing, Thomas Noble, Benjamin Powning, and William Palmer, constables of Honiton, co. Devon, to the Council. They disbursed 40*l.* for relieving poor sick soldiers as they came from Cadiz and Rhé, which the parish of Honiton refused to refund to them. Pray that the parishioners may be caused to make a rate.

10. Note of lands in Shebbeare *alias* Shaftisbeare, in co. Devon, which William Gifford, of Winslade, in that county, son of John Gifford, deceased, settled upon the King. [*See Vols.* clxv., *No.* 2, *and* clxix., *p.* 295.]

11. Petition of Capt. John Prust, Muster-master of co. Dorset, to the Council. Cannot receive any pay these two years and a half, the country alleging that there is no law for any such taxation, though they acknowledge petitioner ought to be paid. Prays relief.

12. The King to Attorney General Heath. Warrant to prepare a Commission for Lord Treasurer Weston and Robert Earl of Warwick, to be Lieutenants of co. Essex. [*Signed but undated.*]

13. Petition of Edward Sydenham to the King. When his Majesty appointed him Captain of the Castle of Portland and

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Lieutenant of the Isle, he was pleased by word to grant him the wrecks which might happen there during his time; prays him to give warrant for a Privy Seal confirming the same.

14. Petition of George Banfield, son of Sir William Banfield, late Captain of Sandsfoot Castle, in co. Dorset, to the King. Having served as a soldier abroad, and been bred up in the knowledge of the government of the said Castle, prays that he may be allowed to succeed his late father, who had held the post for 34 years, it being under the value of 50*l.* per annum.

15. Schedule or enumeration of various parcels of land situate at Brockenhurst and elsewhere, co. Hants; perhaps in connexion with or continuation of similar papers in *Vol.* cxxv., *Nos.* 10 and 11.

16. Survey of the manor of Odiham, co. Hants, with particular description of the mansion house, and all the lands belonging to the same, with the annual value thereof.

Whitehall.

17. [The Council?] to [Horace Lord Vere, Master General of the Ordnance]. On information [of Lord Wimbledon, Governor of Portsmouth,] of many enumerated deficiencies in the ordnance of that town, he is requested to take present order that such powder, match, carriages, and other munitions of war as are fit for defence of a place of that importance be sent thither, with certain pieces of ordnance of various kinds.

18. Petition of Edward Herbert to the King. Petitioner's late brother Sir Charles Herbert, who was many years Muster-master for co. Hereford, assigned to petitioner his arrears of pay. Not having been able to collect the same, by reason of the death of the Earl of Northampton, petitioner prays letters to the Deputy Lieutenants commanding them to raise the money.

19. List of seven obstinate defaulters at musters in Kent.

20. Particular of the state of the tithes in the six parishes of Crowle, Root, Belton, Epworth, Haxey, and Ouston, in the Isle of Axholme, co. Lincoln, lately improved by draining.

21. List of Justices of the Peace for Middlesex, with the several divisions in which they acted in executing the laws against vagrants, and for relief of the poor.

22. List of names of persons in cos. Northampton and Huntingdon delivered to John Holden, one of the Messengers of the Chamber, with a letter to Mr. Meautys.

23. Petition of Raphael Miller, Robert Pettit, and nine others, inhabitants of Kettering, co. Northampton, to the Council. Two years ago, billeted divers soldiers in their houses at rates agreed upon. The charge amounted to 44*l.* 16*s.* Pray the Lords to commiserate their poor estates, and give direction for their payment.

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[1630 ?] 24. Brief notes and references to records in the Tower relating to Rothwell, or Rowell, co. Northampton.

25. Petition of some person unnamed to the Council. The manor of Southleverton and Cotham, co. Nottingham, had never been inclosed, but of late Edward Munk, William Sampson, William Kayworth, James Barker, Thomas Kavy, and William Barker, freeholders of the said manor, had inclosed sundry parcels, and were about to inclose 200 or 300 acres more. Prays for redress.

26. Note of the presumed right of the Vicar of East Peckham, co. Kent, to two parcels of glebe, withheld by the impropriator, and also to tithe wood contested by a recusant. These notes are written under copies of the institution of John Chamber to the vicarage of the same church in 1534, and Thomas Mercer to the rectory in 1536, extracted from the Archiepiscopal registers at Lambeth.

27. Henry Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal, Thomas Earl of Arundel and Surrey, and Sec. Dorchester, to the King. Have viewed the place, and heard the parties interested, and, to accommodate the Earl of Leicester and benefit the parish of St. Martin's, have set down fit limits for the wall, and appointed a way across the field, and set apart a portion thereof to be turned into walks, and planted with trees, and spaces left for the inhabitants to dry their clothes. These alterations to be made at the Earl's expense, besides which he is to pay to the parish in perpetuity 3*l.* per annum, in recompense of the Lammas common, to which the parishioners were entitled.

28. List of the holders of tenements under the South side of St. Paul's church. [The paper bears marks of having passed under the hand of Bishop Laud. Sir Maurice Abbot occurs among the persons who held tenements "from the great south door to the south-west "corner of the cloister wall," and Sir Simeon [Simonds] Dewes, "on the west side of the little alley."]

29. Note that a vault under the Chapter House of St. Paul's was let by the Dean and Chapter to Mr. Sands, of the Green Dragon tavern, who used it for a wine cellar.

30. Petition of Peter Burrough, of Beccles, to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Lieutenant of co. Suffolk. About two years ago the company of Capt. William Bridges, consisting of 70 persons, was billeted in Beccles, and petitioner being one of the under constables, was commanded by the Dep. Lieuts. to place them in several houses within the town, which was done. Four or five soldiers were placed with William Steedman, of that town, who made request to have some. He has now brought an action against petitioner for 16*l.* 16*s.*, for said billeting. Prays that Steedman may be compelled to render an account, and the action be stayed.

31. Petition of John Dunne, tailor, to the Council. He had served Edward Smith, tailor, of Ipswich, for 12 years, yet the Com-

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pany of Tailors of Ipswich, on the instigation of one May, had refused to suffer him to follow his trade there, either as a master or journeyman, he not having been apprenticed; nor was he permitted to settle in his native town, Hornsey, in Yorkshire, by reason of his charge of children. Prays order that he may follow his trade in Ipswich.

32. [Sec. Dorchester?] to the Clerk of the Signet. Warrant to prepare a bill for his Majesty's signature, in a form stated, for payment of an imprest of 1,000*l.* to Edward Manning, for railing in coppices, making ponds, and cutting lawns in the new park at Richmond, and bringing a river to run through the same. [*Draft.*]

33. Petition of inhabitants of Chertsey, within the Forest of Windsor, for repair of Chertsey bridge. The King granted a reference to the Lord Keeper for a collection, but he and the Council thought it not fit to raise money in that way, for building the said bridge. Pray warrant for sale of trees as in the certificate annexed. *Annexed,*

33. I. *The sum to be raised was* 555*l.*, *of which sum* 350*l. was suggested to be raised by sale of trees in Alice Holt near Farnham, and trees for piles and other uses in various other specified parks and places nearer to Chertsey.*

34. Note concerning the present income from the premises near the Tower, granted by the late King to Sir Roger Aston for a term of years.

35. Justices of the Peace for the Tower Hamlets to the Council. Report their execution of the letters of the Council for punishment of rogues and vagabonds, providing fit houses for receipt of persons sick of the plague, regulation of houses for the reception of inmates, and cleansing the streets and sewers.

36. Petition of John Peck to the same. Recites orders of the Common Council and letters patent of King James, for establishment of a registry of all goods bought or sold by brokers in Westminster. Annexes a list of brokers who refuse to become bound to register the goods they shall buy. [*In the margin is written an unsigned fiat for a messenger to bring John Harris, William Whetstone, and others of the persons mentioned in the annexed list before the Council.*] *Annexed,*

36. I. *List of brokers above mentioned.*

36. II. *An imperfect copy of Vol.* cxlvi. *No.* 78, *probably annexed at some subsequent period.*

37. Account of the routine of school duties at Westminster School, entitled, "This course was in my time taken by the "Schoolmaster of Westminster, specially for those of the sixth and "seventh forms, wherein I spent my time there."

38. Particular account of what money had been made of the parsonage of Clatford this year. The receipts were 134*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.*;

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the outgoings, 18*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Among the latter occur the following items:—Paid unto the poor, the common rate being doubled in regard of the dearth, 1*l.*; for a winnowing sheet and four sacks, 1*l.*

39. Petition of Thomas Freeman, yeoman, rider of the race at Malmesbury, to the King. After having served 10 years, the race is now dissolved, and he deprived of 50*l.* or 60*l.* per annum. Prays a pension of 40*l.*

40. Articles objected against Sir Thomas Whorwood by Edward Guest, of Northfield, in co. Worcester. They relate to the possession of lands called Millgrounds, in Kingsnorton, co. Worcester, forcibly taken in a riotous manner, by Sir Thomas and his followers, who committed many outrages.

41. Petition of Henry Allein to the King. Two years since petitioner revealed a libel and other passages disgraceful to the King and State, which was referred to the examination of the Lords Treasurer, Steward, Chamberlain, and the Earl of Holland, by whose command the testimonies of witnesses were taken. Since when petitioner had been convented before the Lower House of Parliament, and also indicted and prosecuted to his undoing. Prays the King to call for the report of the referees, and give order for the petitioner's relief or his punishment.

42. Petition of Edward Archer and Martha Archer to the Council. Shew that Martha had the grant of the outlawry of Sir John Price, and that one Steele has endeavoured to deprive them thereof.

43. Oath in the nature of an oath of fealty taken by John Barlow to his master, William Denton. It imposes universal submission, even to chastisement with a birchen rod. From a memorandum underwritten, and signed John Griffith, it would seem that he also had taken a similar oath.

44. Copy of the same, with some slight variations.

45. [Lord Treasurer Weston] to George Bingley, one of the Auditors of the Imprest. Sir Sebastian Harvey, late Alderman of London, lent 3,000*l.* to the late King. Sir Thomas Hinton married the widow and administratrix of Sir Sebastian, and assigned the 3,000*l.* to William Hinton, one of the Gentlemen of the Privy Chamber. In consideration of that debt his present Majesty granted to William Hinton an annuity of 500*l.*, but the King being now desirous of satisfying that debt by granting Hinton lands for the same at 20 years' purchase, Bingley is to calculate the sum due for the 3,000*l.* and interest, deducting the amount paid on account of the annuity. [*Copy unsigned.*]

46. Another similar copy of the same.

47. Petition of Nicholas Borlase, Vice-Warden of the Stannaries in Cornwall, to the King. Certain honourable referees will witness for the truth of the annexed petition. Mr. Thoroughgood pretended

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that petitioner was disofficed, and Mr. Coryton put in, by the King's express command. Petitioner is confident the King will never give life by his word to Mr. Coryton, who has so often and notoriously employed his breath to graceless distaste and disservice of his Majesty. *Annexed,*

47. I. *Petition of the same petitioner to William Earl of Pembroke, Lord Warden of the Stannaries. Reminds him of a promise given to the petitioner, before Lord Powys and Sir John Borlase, that petitioner should enjoy the Vice-wardenship of the Stannaries. He in consequence gave 510l. in gratuities to those to whom the Earl gave the disposal of the place, yet another patent has been surreptitiously obtained for Mr. Coryton. Prays relief.*

48. The King to Lord Keeper Coventry and to the Clerks of the Signet and Privy Seal. The King, in recompense of the service of David Alexander, having granted him the making of 25 denizens more than he had already passed, the persons addressed are not to suffer any grants of denizens to pass until Alexander has passed all his 25.

49. Complaint of Richard Coventry, haberdasher, of London, that he had been arrested, notwithstanding he showed a protection under "the Lord Stanford's" hand.

50. Anne Countess of Argyle to Sec. Dorchester. Reminds him that he set his hand to a reference on the writer's son Cantyre's petition. Begs to know which of his secretaries was present at the doing thereof.

51. Petition of Gilbert Barrell to the Council. About the time of the confinement of Sir Robert Cotton, both printed and written books were taken out of petitioner's study. Prays that they may be restored.

52. Paul Viscount Bayning to Sec. Dorchester. His great pleasure in being able to resume the use of the word father, with professions of affection and obedience. [*Lat. Probably written on the Viscount's marriage with the writer's mother.*]

53. J. G. Brandt to the same. Has been detained eight days under pretext that he had been surety for the appearance of his uncle. The Sec. had ordered him to be released, but now the messenger claims to be paid for having detained him. Prays the Sec. to give directions for his release. Fr.

54. James Earl of Carlisle to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador at the Hague. Professes faithful service, but complains of being left out of the number of those to whom he ordinarily writes. Hopes shortly to see him.

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55. Henry Crow to Sec. Dorchester. Did not hear till of late that the Sec. desired the writer's armour. Not fitting him, he made an agreement with an armourer to take it in exchange. The Sec. may command it from him at a reasonable price.

Chancery Lane. 56. —— Delamain to the same. Begs him to signify to the Attorney General the King's pleasure touching his grant to the writer about his Ring. Beseeches him to be a furtherance to learning and a help to a poor scholar; and, if he has any occasion to use the writer in any parts of the mathematical studies, he will find him ever ready to attend. If Mr. Attorney had a warrant, the writer has a friend, Mr. Noy, that would go with him to Mr. Attorney, both to avoid charge and hasten the bill. The book on a further use of the Ring is ready for the press, and should be printed this term.

57. Petition of Sir Richard Edgcombe to the Council. Has for many years done his Majesty service as Dep. Lieut. and Colonel in Cornwall. Of late an information has been given against him for suspending the execution of a mittimus for the imprisonment of one Mr. Roberts. Assigns his reasons, and prays that he may be heard by counsel, and Rous be reproved for his unjust complaint. [*Presented in Feb.* 1630. *See Vol.* clxvi., *Nos.* 52–55.]

58. Eliza Lady Falkland to the same. Minute of her desire. She wishes her Lord to take her into the communion of his life and fortunes, paying the debts which have grown for necessaries since the taking of her children from her; or otherwise that she may obtain the performance of the orders already made for her relief. Desires her personal appearance may be spared, as she is unwilling to appear to confront her Lord. If he objects anything against her, she wishes that an answer in paper may be accepted from her.

59. Petition of Francis Freeman to the same. Having been committed to the Fleet, has remained there 14 weeks. Craves pardon for anything wherein he has offended the Board, and prays order for discharge.

60. Petition of Robert Godfrey to the King. His Majesty had required the Lord Treasurer to order payment of the arrearages of petitioner's pension, and settle the same for the time to come as has been done for Mr. Potter. Prays that the same may be settled upon the revenue appointed for the Queen's Chapel, the number of ecclesiastics not now being proportionate to the sum assigned.

61. Petition of Richard Greene, one of his Majesty's Gentlemen Sewers, and Alexander Stephenson, one of the Pages of the Queen's Bedchamber, to the same. His Majesty granted them a Privy Seal for receipt of the profits of all seizures of forfeited goods for non-payment of custom, until a debt of 7,560*l.* should be satisfied. Six months after, Mr. Sydenham, on information of a seizure of 700*l.*, procured a grant for receipt of the same. Submit their cause to his Majesty's interpretation.

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[1630 ?] 62. Accounts of Sir William Heydon, in the States' service, for the year 1624.

63. The like for 1625.

64. The like for 1626.

65. Petition of Bishop Howson, of Durham, to the King. Explains the course of a long litigation between petitioner and Sir Henry Marten, and that Sir Henry, in order to maintain an injurious possession, has had recourse to many vexatious delays. Having been foiled in various ways, and left to the common law, he has now again petitioned the King for leave to prosecute against the petitioner in an irregular course before himself. Prays that a commission may be granted to examine witnesses, and proceed to judgment.

66. Sir David Cunningham to Mr. Hanby at Sir Edward Wardour's office. His Majesty's Commissioners of the Prince's revenue desire him to certify whether Mrs. Lucy Ingleby, grandchild to the late Earl of Westmoreland, has any pension out of the Exchequer.

67. Petition of Angelus Jacobas, a distressed Greek merchant, to Sec. Dorchester. The late King granted petitioner letters patent for a collection. Petitioner employing a deputy, he delivered some small part of the collection, and ran away with the rest. Petitioner has since been struck lame, and forced to be at the Bath. Being desirous to return to his own country, prays the Sec. to procure him his Majesty's pass.

68. Katherine Duchess of Lennox to the same. Sends letters from her two sons in France. Had also received one from her son d'Aubigny, wherein he wished the Sec. to be informed how prejudicial it will be for him to come over as yet for one year, in which time the Duchess believes his grandmother will be departed (considering her great years and weakness), and his course at the academies will be finished.

69. Petition of Walter Long, prisoner in the Tower of London, to the King. Since his censure in the Star Chamber, he caused his former petition to be delivered to the King, whereby he represented his humble acknowledgment of his offence and his hearty sorrow, with his resort to the King's clemency. Renews his humble representation, and in the lowest and most submiss manner continues at the King's feet. Beseeches pardon and restoration to favour.

70. Subscription list, indorsed "The parishioners' good wills to "Mrs. Lushington."

71. Copy of the same.

72. Authority from Thomas Mell for payment out of the Exchequer of 11*l.* due from him to William Wheeler, of St. Martin's in the Fields, goldsmith.

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73. Petition of Robert Earl of Monmouth to the King. Had a pension of 100*l.* per annum, in Queen Elizabeth's time, 24 years, and had it renewed by the late King. Prays that it may be confirmed to the end of the short time he has to live here. The petition concludes, "God bless you and all your actions."

74. Elizabeth Lady Moray to Sec. Dorchester. Is happy that her petition is come a second time into his hands. When her husband died he left her so destitute that she durst not meddle with her own clothes for fear of being liable to his debts. If the Sec. knew her case, he would fall down on his knees to his Majesty to grant her suit. She has a precedent in Sir John Bath, who obtained the King's letters to pass his business in Ireland. The Earls of Arundel and Suffolk have spoken to the King for her.

75. The King to Dr. Pink, Warden of St. Mary Winton College, [New College], Oxford, and Dr. Love, Warden of St. Mary Winton College, Winchester, with others of the latter College. To grant an inter-election to a son of Wm. Morley, now a scholar at Winchester School, to speed him to the College of St. Mary Winton, in Oxford. If there shall not fall any resignation before the ensuing election, then to nominate him first at that election, unless they nominated a founder, and if so, then to nominate this scholar next to him. [*Unsigned and without date.*]

76. Edward Lord Newburgh to the King. Prays that his Majesty would assign the money due to the writer by Privy Seal out of the Jewel House, to be paid out of the arrears in the Duchy of Lancaster.

77. Petition of Montjoy Earl of Newport to the same. Having for divers years been employed in his Majesty's service abroad, which had been expenseful to him, and prevented his looking into his own estate, now lately retiring himself, he finds the means left him by his father wasted one half, and especially the manor of Wanstead, conveyed away during his minority. Prays that he may have the benefit of the laws, and that the present possessor of Wanstead may be left to his just defence.

78. John Nicholas to his father, Edward Nicholas. Expresses penitence for having spent his money so ill.

79. Mary Nicholas to her brother, the same. Sister Susan unwell. His daughter came thither that day with her brother; they left their sister at home unwell. His cap shall be sent as soon as it is made.

80. Dr. James Primrose to the King. Many being constrained to go out of the kingdom to learn physic, offers, if the King will institute a lecture in Westminster or London, to teach the same four times a week without payment.

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81. Petition of John Scotsoun to Lord President Conway. Being one of his tenants, and an old soldier in his regiment, prays his help in reference to a presentment against the petitioner for not making his highway.

82. Case of James Sinclair, prisoner, son of Sir Andrew Sinclair. His father had a pension of 240*l.* per annum from King James, which he surrendered in 1614, on consideration of a pension of 120*l.* to his son James. From 1622 that has run into arrear.

83. Petition of Captain John Pennington, Gentleman of the Privy Chamber, to the King. Sets forth all his services during the present reign, and especially his capture of the great French prizes in the year 1627, worth more than 100,000*l.* There is now due to him, for bare pay and disbursements, 728*l.* 19*s.*, and he has never had any other reward than a Privy Seal for 1,000*l.* on taking the great prizes, given him by the King, with a promise that he should be rewarded for that service in a greater measure, in regard that he had preserved his prizes from pillaging, and had not taken that which was due to him by the law of the sea. That 1,000*l.* he was enforced to take land for, which will not yield him that sum. Prays for a reward for his services, and that he may have present satisfaction for the same and the other moneys due to him.

84. Certificate of Nicholas Pescod, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Council. That George Rutlish, a prisoner in the common gaol aforesaid, is a man of so turbulent a spirit that he daily raxseth quarrels to the great disturbance of the other prisoners; and he says that he cares not for the Council Table, or what the Lords can do to him.

85. Petition of William Radcliffe to the Council of War. Petitioner standing engaged for Sir John Radcliffe, deceased, in the Isle of Rhé, on the renunciation of his lady, children, and friends, took out administration to Sir John. There is due to Sir John for his service at Cadiz 300*l.* Petitioner is sued by Elizabeth Lady Egerton, for 242*l.*, and by Wakefield, a goldsmith, for 100*l.*, which debts have been turned over to his Majesty in the Exchequer. Prays reference to the Lord Chief Baron.

86. Petition of Giles Rawlins to the King. Weakened in fortune by preparing and keeping himself ready for the Savoy employment, and after long attendance and expectation laid by, he beseeches a grant of the reversion of the Secretary's place in Ireland.

87. Petition of William Raylton to the same. Has been a clerk in the Signet office above 16 years; prays, for his better encouragement, a grant in reversion of the office of one of the clerks of the Signet.

88. Petition of Jane Renton to the Council. Her husband, John Renton, being drum-major under Colonel Borrowes [Sir John

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Burgh], was slain in the Isle of Rhé, and her son Lancelot, a drummer under his father, dangerously wounded. Prays that her son may be admitted into Sutton's Hospital, and that a yearly allowance may be granted for the support of herself and her four other children.

89. Petition of John Roberts to the Council. Stands charged by the petition of Robert Rous with disobedience to him as his captain. Prays that as he lives 200 miles from London he may be discharged, or have a speedy hearing by his counsel. [*Presented in Feb.* 1630. *See Vol.* clxvi., *Nos.* 52–55, *and Vol.* clxxxi., *No.* 57.]

Petworth, Thursday night.

90. William Earl of Salisbury to Sec. Dorchester. Desires to revenge himself on the Sec. for his many favours. The family at Petworth are very sensible of his respect towards them. Perceives he is able to remove from Bramshill to Bagshot, which makes him hope that the Sec.'s lameness is not a formed gout, which makes men sit all day at cards. The writer's wife and daughter remember their best respects. Hopes to meet him at "Casom" [Caversham?] on Monday.

91. Petition of Ellen Scafe, widow, to the Council. Henry Sherley, at his death, was indebted to petitioner for his diet thirty odd pounds. Sir Edward Bishop, being in arrear of an annuity due to the said Henry Sherley, promised to pay petitioner 20*l.*, but now refuses, the arrear having been claimed by Thomas Sherley. Prays an order that she may be satisfied the 20*l.*

92. Petition of Stephen Smith, fishmonger, to the same. Having been committed to Newgate, he still remains there a prisoner. His house and shop have been shut up above eight weeks, in all which time no person has been sick. If any attempt has been made by his servants to open his house it has been against his will. Prays order for his enlargement.

93. Petition of the same to the same. Being in the gaol of Newgate he has divers days been very heavy laden with such intolerable bolts and shackles that he is lamed, and, being a weak and aged man, is like to perish in the gaol, he having always lived in good reputation, and been a liberal benefactor where he has long dwelt. His house has been shut up for five months. Is heartily sorry if he or his servants have displeased the Council. Prays order for his enlargement on security.

94. Petition of Lady Spry, widow of Colonel Sir Henry Spry, to the King. In consideration of her late husband's great losses in the King's service, amounting to near 3,000*l.*, the King commanded that a way might be found out whereby he might give petitioner satisfaction; prays that he would confer the first company that should fall in Ireland upon Thomas Games, who had served at Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle.

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95. Petition of Sir Thomas Stepney, one of the Gentlemen of the Privy Chamber, to the King. Had served the King and his father 20 years, and had the good fortune to save the late King from the danger of water, in Theobald's Park, when his horse fell upon him, for which service, and the rest of his time and means spent, which came to about 5,000*l.*, the late King promised petitioner on his marriage 3,500*l.* Before the performance of that promise the King died. Has neither wages nor pension, nor anything to support himself, his wife, and four children. Prays the King to confirm his father's promise.

96. Eliza Countess of Exeter to Sec. Dorchester. Begs him to use his power to save Mr. Sutton, of Aram, from being sheriff of co. Nottingham. Incloses a note of five more in his place.

97. Petition of John Turner, of Barking, co. Hertford, to the Council. A complaint exhibited by petitioner against Daniel Smith, of Barley, in that county, having been referred to the Judges of Assize, they referred the same to Sir John Cæsar, Thomas Bonust, and John Barley, and ordered that Smith should enter into a bond to abide their award. Smith having refused to do so, petitioner prays relief.

98. The King to William Earl of Denbigh, Master of the Great Wardrobe. Warrant dormant to supply Abraham Vanderdort, appointed one of the Grooms of the Privy Chamber, with the parcels following for his livery annually during his life; that is to say, one gown of damask or satin guarded with velvet and furred with budge, one coat of velvet, one doublet of velvet, one coat of marble cloth guarded with velvet, and one other coat of green cloth guarded with velvet; and that the Master of the Wardrobe should pay for making and furring, and for lining-silk and buttons. [*Unsigned.*]

99. Draft of docquet of the King's licence to Lord Vaux to pass out of the kingdom with such soldiers, as shall be willing under his conduct, to serve the King of Spain, with liberty to return to England for his private affairs. [*Indorsed, "Extract of the King's licence to my Lord Vaux, to transport voluntaries to the enemy."*]

100. Request of Sir Thomas Walsingham to the Council. That according to Sir Henry Marten's report a commission might issue to Sir Edward Hales and others, that the fine of 15*l.* imposed on his servant might be taken off, and that Sir Thomas might have power to search ships within the Medway, the King's channel, the hundred of Faversham, and all other places, except the Cinque Ports in Kent.

101. Sir John Wentworth [?] to Endymion Porter. Is over the way, under the Exchange, with a choice piece of Canary, and invites Porter to join him. The Earl of Holland still concludes that some business alluded to shall be done, but the favour will come too late if the effect follow not speedily. It is not fit the Commission for sale of prize ships should shew an eternal neglect of the King's service with an everlasting patience for his warrant.

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102. Jane Marchioness of Winchester to Henry Earl of Holland. Thanks for his most noble and good lines. Has ever found him a worthy friend and kinsman. As his goodness is above all men's, so shall her desire be ever to do him and his service.

103. The same to the same. Recommends to him her kinsman. His business is a suit in Chancery, and the Earl's speech to the Lord Keeper and Master of the Rolls will give him the day, his cause being good.

104. Petition of William Wollaston to the King. Having been Sheriff of Leicester for the year ending at Michaelmas last, and being appointed Sheriff of Stafford for the year ensuing, but being unprovided of a habitation in the latter county, he prays licence to continue to reside in co. Leicester.

105. Sir Henry Wotton to the same. Presents a little foretaste of a work long intended and much pressed by his friends, who overween his weakness, which, if it may receive from the royal judgment the least encouragement, will be so far from fearing vulgar censures, that his Majesty may easily make it bold enough to be dedicated to himself. The King is the common parent in his regal capacity, and in his natural, one of the virtuousest examples in the highest place, so as there cannot but stream from his sovereign person many sweet beams of goodness into the public nurture, which is the theme he handles. After this will wholly apply himself to the story of our Church and State, from the beginning of Henry VIII., which my Lord St. Albans left imperfect. *Annexed,*

105. I. *Preface and distribution of a book entitled "A Philo-"sophical Survey of Education."*

106. Copy of the preceding letter without the paper annexed.

107. Petition of William Wright to the Council. Leonard Sadler, petitioner's landlord for thirteen years, has greatly oppressed him by raising his rent from year to year. Prays that Sadler may be called before them.

108. Account of fees to Heralds entitled "Composition made for "the Viscountess Newark, according to the proportion of the Lord "Bayning and Viscountess Dorchester, for four officers of arms."

109. Collection of copies of papers upon precedency attributed [?] to Sir William Segar, Garter. It contains.

109. I. *Orders according to ancient statutes made by John Tiptoft, Earl of Worcester and Constable of England, 6 Edward IV., for placing all nobility.*

109. II. *Series ordinum omnium procerum et aliorum posita per Jasperum Ducem Bedford et alios nobiles, appunctuatione Regis Henrici.*

109. III. *Order of all estates taken out of an ancient book belonging to the Abbey of Crowland.*

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109. IV. *Order of all estates set forth in the year* 1399.

109. V. *Similar order set forth by Anthony Earl of Rivers,* 10 *June* 1479.

109. VI. *Similar order of all estates as they were ordered by the Lord Protector and the Earl Marshal against the coronation of Henry VI.*

109. VII. *Order of his Majesty's proceeding through London on Thursday,* 15 *March* 1603–4.

109. VIII. *Order of lords and ladies.*

109. IX. *An order to know how many women one lady shall have above another.*

109. X. *An order of ladies' women how they shall go.*

109. XI. *Explanation by Garter of the cause of precedency between the daughter and heir of the late Lord Russell, who died heir apparent to the Earl of Bedford, and the Lady Scrope, wife to Sir Thomas Scrope, son and heir to the Lord Scrope.*

109. XII. *Questions of honour.*

110. Rules and examples of sums in the first five rules of arithmetic.

111. A jocular paper, perhaps written with an intended personal application, entitled "To the Prince de l'Amours, his highness, "certain Queries of State worthy the consideration of your high-"ness privy Council." The following are two of the queries:—13. Whether would the Queen of Sheba (if she were now living) sooner have come to hear your highness say nothing, or King Solomon's wisdom? 14. Because mirth is the best sauce to meat, and that princes by long sitting and feeding at table are subject to surfeit, whether, as well for the preservation of your highness' health as to take away the imputation of your reserved silence, branded by some with folly, by others with pride, it were not convenient that some selected wits at such times be appointed to discourse some philosophical questions, or otherwise to retain some fool or jester as in like case is used.

112. Translation of Psalm cxix. into English verse. It commences,—

1. Blest is he that spotless stands
In the way of God's commands,

2. Blessed he that keeps his word,
Whose entire heart seeks the Lord.

And concludes,—

175. Let my soul live by their aid,
And thy praise shall be displayed.

176. Seek thy lost sheep that hath not,
Though he strayed, thy laws forgot.

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113. Complaint of a Worm. A poem in nine stanzas. It commences,—

> Thou Height of Things that framest every kind,
> And makest them breathe according to thy will,
> That sense of reason cannot choose but find
> The true assurance of thy perfect skill,
> Give thou but leave unto my simple suit ;—
> If Bees do speak, a Worm may not be mute.

114. Plot of a contemplated fort 200 feet square, besides a half moon, wherein a minion may be so placed as to command some particular channel; submitted to Sec. Dorchester.

115. Map of the coast of Hants and Dorset from Christchurch to the Isle of Portland and Chesil Bank.

116. Warrant [suggested to be] published according to the Statute 33 Henry VIII., whereby every father and governor is directed to bring up his children and all other persons of tender age under his authority in the practice of shooting, and for that purpose to see that everyone be provided with a bow and arrows.

117. Petition to the King on behalf of his Ambassadors and Agents with foreign princes. By the slack payment of their entertainments out of the Exchequer, they are often forced to take up money on their credits, which produces great loss in interest beside the hindrance and prejudice of his Majesty's service. Pray that express order may be given for their arrearages, and for the future that an assignment may be settled on the Alienations and Hanaper.

118. Petition of Henry Holaly, Captain of the Trained Bands in the Palatinate country, to the Council. Having formerly lived at Frankendale he was obliged, after the Spaniards had taken the same, to take refuge in England. On his late return thither, the Prince of the country had bestowed upon him a company of the natives. He prays for a pass for himself and his family to return.

119. Petition of Henry Mitchell to Sec. Dorchester. Heretofore, in time of peace between France and England, money and bills, the produce of goods of petitioner sold at Rouen, were attached in that place, and ordered to go to the satisfaction of French merchants who pretended to have received losses at sea by depredation of the English. Prays him to represent these wrongful proceedings to the resident French Ambassador.

120. Petition of the owners, adventurers and assurers of the Bride, the James, and the Benediction, of London, to the King. Since the conclusion of peace, those three ships had been surprised by French men-of-war. Two of them had been brought into Dieppe, the third not being yet come in. On account of the intricacy of the

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laws of that kingdom, and a suggested connexion between divers of their Admiralty courts and the surprisers, petitioners pray his Majesty's letters to the French King for their restoration.

121. Petition of James Duppa, Nathan Wright, and the rest of the owners of the James, to the Council. Since peace proclaimed with France, Capt. Bontemps took the James, at anchor in the road of Saphy, trading on the coast of Barbary, and brought her into Dieppe, where she lies sunk and spoiled, neither can they get any right in France although they have long sued. Pray that a course may be taken for the restoration of their ship.

122. Petition of divers poor widows and fatherless children, whose husbands and goods were burned by fire and taken by the French in Guinea, in the Benediction, of London, long after the peace was concluded, to the Council. Their former petition having been lost, pray for speedy relief.

123. Petition of inhabitants of co. Pembroke to the same. Pembroke was last year much infested with Irish beggars landing about Milford Haven. Now again they purpose to pursue the same course, three barks' loading of them having been landed at Milford suddenly in the night. Pray that letters may be sent into Ireland to restrain the passage of these beggars, and to punish those that transport them.

124. Petition of Gawin Pollard, of Burlington Quay, co. York, to the same. Having suffered great loss of ships and goods taken by the Dunkirkers, prays licence to travel to Dunkirk to ransom the same.

125. Petition of Anne, wife of Thomas Audelley [Audley], to the same. Her husband coming by sea from Suffolk was taken by the Dunkirkers, where he now lies in woeful misery. Prays them to give present order for his releasement.

126. Impression on paper of a medal struck in honour of Sir Thomas Roe, on the occasion of his mediating a truce between the Kings of Sweden and Poland. It bears on one side shields of arms of the parties to the truce effected by him, with the date 1630. On the other side the crown of England upheld by two angels bearing palm branches, and between them under the crown, a monogram which combines the letters of the name of Sir Thomas Roe. Attached is a modern paper descriptive of the medal, probably written by Joseph Ames.

WARRANTS FOR ISSUING LETTERS OF MARQUE,

GRANTED BY THE LORDS COMMISSIONERS OF THE ADMIRALTY DURING THE YEAR 1630,

In continuation of those granted up to the end of the Year 1629, *printed in the present volume, pp.* 151–156.

Date.	Owners of Ships.	Names of Ships.	Tonnage.	Captains or Masters.	Reference.
1630.					Vol. cxxx.
Jan. 2	George Tanner, William Lee, and others.	Fellowship, of Topsham.	120	Not stated	p. 38.
" "	Richard Barnehowse, and others -	Dragon, of Bristol	100	Richard Barnehowse.	"
		Her Pinnace -	50	Not stated -	
" 4	Edward Linze, and others - - -	Dolphin, of Weymouth	100	Gabriel Cornish	"
		Desire - -	50	Robert Damen	
" "	Charles Driver, and others.	Virgin, of Bristol	60	Not stated	"
" 7	Henry Mitchell, and others - - -	Abigail of Weymouth -	120	John Randall	"
		Seaflower -	60	Not stated	
" 12	John Blachford, David Gayer, and others -	Pilgrim, of Weymouth	160	Capt. Holmes	p. 39.
		Mary - - -	50	Not stated -	
" "	David Gayer, and others.	King David, of Weymouth.	60	John Lockyer	"
		Corymuch - -	30	Nicholas Corney	
" 18	John Shapleigh, and others - - -	Merchant Royal, of Dartmouth.	120	William Booth -	"
		Adventure - -	30	William Lang -	
" "	Jonas Dennys, and others -	Thomasine, of Weymouth.	120	Jonas Dennys	"
		Pinnace - -	40	Not stated -	
" 22	Capt. John Crowther, and others.	Jonas, of London -	200	John Crowther -	"
Feb. 1	Robert White, and and others - -	Great Catherine, of Weymouth.	100	Robert White	"
		Pinnace -	30	Not stated	
" 6	Richard Wright, and others.	Shuttle, of Weymouth	40	Henry Russell -	"
" 11	John Sharowe, and others.	Hopewell, of London	80	Capt. Seely	p. 40.
" 15	Ralph Horsey, and others.	Marygold, of Weymouth.	Not stated.	Ralph Horsey -	"
" 16	Robert Earl of Warwick.	Robert - - -	60	Daniel Hurry -	"
" 17	Thomas [King], and others.	Pelican, of London	240	Thomas King -	"
" 20	William Drake, and others.	Margaret, of Topsham	80	Not stated -	"
" 26	William Crawford, and others.	Employment, of Ipswich.	250	William Crawford.	"
Mar. 2	Richard Russell, and others.	Content, of Weymouth	60	Capt. Henry Hinckley.	"
" 4	Ralph Langley, Henry Taylor, and others.	Elizabeth, of Topsham	100	Not stated -	p. 41.
" "	John Lowe, and others	Ambrose, of Ipswich	200	John Lowe	pp. 41, 42.

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1630. Mar. 8	William Topsen, Robert Merring, and others.	Fellowship, of Stonehouse.	150	Not stated	Vol. cxxx. p. 41.
„ 9	Capt. Thomas Wetherley, and others.	Bark Warwick, of London.	55	Thomas Wetherley.	„
„ „	Edward Hoppwood, Wm. Trace, and others.	Mayflower, of Yarmouth.	200	Edward Hoppwood.	„
„ „	Capt. John Steevens, and others - -	London, of London Fly -	140 20	John Steevens - Not stated -	„
„ „	Thomas Irish, and others	Endeavour, of London	50	Thomas Irish -	„
„ „	Capt. Richard Smyth, and others -	Dolphin, of Dartmouth Adventure -	200 40	Richard Smyth Not stated -	p. 29.
„ 19	Wm. Barkely, Capt. David Kirke, and others.	Robert, of London Thomas -	Not stated. 60	Thomas Kirke - Richard Brewerton.	p. 42.
„ 22	Giles Elbridge, and others.	Dolphin, of Bristol -	180	Christopher Birckett.	„
„ „	Nicholas Sherwill and Abraham Colemer.	Jonathan, of Plymouth	150	Henry Stacy, Captain, and Henry Randall, Master,	„
„ 23	William Bust, and others.	Scallop, of Southampton. John - - -	00 60	William Bust - Not stated -	„
„ 26	John Morris, and others	Holdfast, of Dover -	40	John Morris -	„
„ „	Capt. Richard Quaile, and others.	Great Sea Horse, of London.	100	Richard Quaile -	„
„ „	Henry Andrews, Henry Leigh, and others.	Rebecca, of London	200	Roger Lymbry -	p. 43.
April 3	Richard Ofield, and others.	Samaritan, of London -	200	Richard Ofield	„
„ 10	Capt. John Smart, and others - -	Adventure, of Dartmouth. Watch - - -	120 40	William Alkins John Luke -	„
„ 16	Capt. Thomas King, jun., and others.	Thomas, of London	80	Thomas King -	„
„ 19	Arthur Champernoone and others.	Greyhound, of Dartmouth.	60	Not stated -	„
„ „	William Pyle, and others.	Mary, of Dartmouth	30	William Pyle -	„
„ „	William Seavy, and others.	Willingmind, of Exmouth. Greyhound -	150 40	William Seavy Not stated -	„
„ 26	Sampson Bloy, and others.	Concord, of Falmouth -	160	Not stated -	p. 44.
„ „	Capt. John Hall - -	Hopewell, of London	200	John Hall	„
„ 27	Lord Charles Poulett -	Golden Falcon, of London.	90	Arthur Cooper -	„
„ 30	Thomas Wright, and others - -	Swift, of Bristol - The Ketch -	80 30	John Wright - William Cox -	„
May 4	George Shepherd, and others.	Charity, of London	160	Richard Low -	„
„ „	Bryan Harrison, and others.	Unicorn, of London -	350	Bryan Harrison	„
„ 8	John Gargaduell, and others.	Clement and Job, of London.	250	John Gargaduell	„
„ 10	Peter Neau, and others	Barnaby, of Foy	60	Peter Neau	p. 45.

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Date.	Owners of Ships.	Names of Ships.	Tonnage.	Captains or Masters.	Reference.
1630. May 10	Edward Johnson and others.	Resolution, of London	260	Edward Johnson	Vol. cxxx. p. 45.
„ 11	John Evans, and others	Unity, of Millbrook -	90	Richard Taprill	„
		Expectation -	60	John Ford - -	
„ „	John Gibbons, and others.	Anne, of London -	100	John Gibbons -	„
„ 15	John Delbridge, and others.	John, of Barnstaple	60	William Nicholl	„
" 20	William Peirce, and others.	Philip, of London -	80	William Peirce -	„
„ 25	Heinrick Peterson, and others.	Cardinal, of London	50	Heinrick Peterson.	„
June 1	Thomas Goslen, and others.	Gift of God, of Ipswich.	200	Thomas Goslen	p. 46.
„ 7	Robert Neason and Company - -	Mary, of Bristol	100	Not stated -	„
		Her Pinnace	40	Not stated	
„ 15	Eustace Man, and others	Doncaster, of London	200	Not stated	„
„ 18	Richard Andrews, and others - -	Jane, of London	200	Richard Andrews	„
		Roebuck - - -	80	William Ayres	
„ 22	Walter Ellis, and others	New Year's Gift, of Bristol.	150	Not stated -	„
		Pinnace - -	40	Not stated -	
„ 24	Peter Milborne, and others - - -	Arabella, of London	400	Peter Milborne -	„
		Jewel - -	70	Nicholas Hurleston.	
July 9	Henry Hastings, and others.	Dove, of Minehead	80	Henry Hastings	p. 47.
„ „	Robert Geyer and Company - -	Sarah Bonaventure, of Weymouth.	100	Robert Geyer -	„
		Mermaid	50	Not stated	
„ 14	Capt. James Foran, and Company -	Fortune - -	100	James Foran -	„
		Brave - -	30	Not stated -	
„ 17	Capt. Richard Donnell, and others -	Thunder, of Southampton.	150	Richard Donnell	„
		Mary - -	70	Not stated	
„ 21	Richard Bragge, and others	Little Dick, of London	20	Richard Bragge	„
„ 22	Capt. John Blake, jun., and others.	Valentine, of London	160	John Blake	„
„ 23	Henry Beale, and others - -	Falcon, of London - -	240	Henry Beale	„
		Mary - -	60	Peter Blackler -	„
„ 24	Peter Grollier -	Benediction, of London	90	Peter Grollier -	„
„ „	Robert Archbut, and others - - -	Antelope, of Dartmouth	30	Robert Archbut	p. 48.
		Her Pinnace -	20	Not stated	
„ 27	Constantine Pentecost -	Blessing, of Pennycomquick.	25	Stephen Ursula	p. 49.
„ 28	Stephen Pettifize [Petitfils], and others -	Great Catherine, of Weymouth.	100	Stephen Pettifize [Petitfils.]	p. 48.
		Pinnace - -	30	ot stated	
„ 30	Thomas Thornhill -	Request of London	100	John Hadson	„
Aug. 4	Thomas Waltham, and others - - -	Eleanor, of Weymouth	60	Richard Champian.	„
		Joan - - -	30	Not stated	
„ „	Thomas King, and others.	Revenge - - -	200	George May	„
„ 5	George Martin, and others - - -	Speedwell, of Topsham	80	John Venner -	p. 49.
		Violet - - -	40	Robert Babb -	

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Date.	Owners of Ships.	Names of Ships.	Tonnage.	Captains or Masters.	Reference.
1630.					Vol. cxxx.
Aug. 10	Humphrey Hooke, and others - - -	Eagle, of Bristol	120	Richard Taylor -	p. 48.
		Pelican -	50	John Sherman -	
,, ,,	The same - -	Phœnix, of Bristol -	200	Philip Sanders	p. 49.
,, ,,	Arthur Champernoone, and others - -	Bridget, of Dartmouth	100	Not stated -	,,
		Frances - - -	40	Not stated	
,, 11	William Tucker, and others - -	Love, of Sandwich -	160	William Tucker	,,
		Mary - - -	60	Peter Blackler -	
,, 13	John Coren, and others	Primrose, of London	160	John Coren -	,,
,, 20	Capt. Luke Fox, and others.	Charles, of London	150	Luke Fox	,,
,, [,,]	Lord Charles Poulett -	Golden Falcon, of London.	90	Lord Charles Poulett.	,,
,, ,,	Capt. John Prynne, and others.	Thomas and Margaret, of Orston.	100	Thomas Prynne	p. 50.
,, 21	Nicholas Strangways and others.	Willingmind, of Bristol	200	Nicholas Strangways.	,,
		Pinnace -	40	Not stated -	
,, 26	Thomas Melhuish, and others.	Delight, of Falmouth -	40	Not stated	,,
,, ,,	William Calway, and others - - -	William and John, of Bristol	100	William Calway	,,
		Pinnace -	40	Not stated -	
,, 30	William Giles, and others.	Anne, of London	120	Robert Dennys -	,,
,, 31	Christopher Metcalfe, Robert Lowther, and others.	Truelove, of London -	200	Robert Drew -	,,
Sept. 3	Elthreed Beaple, and others.	George, of Barnstaple -	100	John Beaple	,,
,, 7	Charles Driver, and others -	George, of Bristol	250	William Bennett	p. 51.
		Pinnace -	40	Not stated -	
,, 11	Thomas Wilde, and others -	Fortune, of Bristol	160	Not stated -	,,
		Jonathan -	50	Not stated -	
,, ,,	John Nutt, and others	Swan, of Lyme Regis	80	John Nutt -	,,
		Goose	40	Not stated -	
,, 13	Nicholas Roope, and others - -	Elizabeth Adventure, of Dartmouth.	60	Not stated -	,,
		Ursula - - -	50	Not stated -	
,, ,,	Capt. James Reskeimer, and others - -	Dainty, of Dartmouth	70	James Reskeimer	,,
		Honor - -	30	Not stated	
,, 18	George Andrewes, and others - -	Merchant Bonadventure, of Milbrook.	150	Not stated -	,,
		Little George	40	Not stated	
,, 24	John Moody, and others	William and John, of Bristol.	80	Not stated	p. 52.
,, 27	William ———, and others - - -	Unicorn, of Stonehouse	150	Omer Pomry	p. 51.
		Success - -	40	Peter Rowe -	
,, 29	John Reynolds, and others -	Christian, of Weymouth	40	John Reynolds -	p. 52.
		Greyhound -	35	Not stated	
,, ,,	Richard Wright, and Gregory Bavidge -	Willingmind, of Weymouth.	80	Richard White -	,,
		Shuttle	50	Not stated -	
,, ,,	John Gardner, and others - - -	Harry and John, of Weymouth.	140	Henry Russell -	,,
		Swiftsure - -	40	Not stated	

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Date.	Owners of Ships.	Names of Ships.	Tonnage.	Captains or Masters.	Reference.
1630.					Vol. cxxx.
Oct. 8	Henry Waltham, and others.	Long John, of Weymouth.	140	Francis Saunders.	p. 52.
		Phœnix - -	50	Alexander Clattery.	
„ „	Capt. Jonathan Downes, and others.	Niger, of Weymouth	90	Not stated -	„
„ 9	John Calmady, and others.	Fortune, of Saltash -	120	John Calmady -	„
„ „	Thomas Eger, and others.	Success, of Looe	90	Thomas Eger	p. 53.
„ 10	Capt. Gabriel Puckle, and others.	Exchange, of London -	130	Gabriel Puckle -	„
„ 13	Richard Clarke, and others.	Have-at-all, of Dover -	200	Richard Clarke	„
„ 16	Stephen Peirce and others.	Anne, of Plymouth -	60	Hugh Sampson	„
„ „	Michael Hunt, and others - -	Angel Gabriel, of Bristol.	260	Michael Hunt	„
		Her Pinnace - -	40	Not stated	
„ [16]	John Lane, and others	Endeavour, of Dartmouth.	150	James Goodridge	„
		Speedwell - - -	50	Richard Elliot	
„ „	Nicholas Gattenby, and others.	Charles, of Bristol	250	Nicholas Gattenby	„
„ 20	James Waddow, and others.	James, of Plymouth -	90	Not stated	p. 54.
„ 23	Capt. John Prynne -	Unicorn, of London	160	Richard Harris -	„
„ „	Thomas Pye, and others - -	Revenge, of Plymouth	160	Thomas Pye -	„
		Pearl - - -	40	Not stated	
„ 30	Gregory Rowe, and others - -	Patience, of Millbrook	60	Gregory Rowe -	„
		Rebecca - -	40	Not stated -	
„ „	John Newman, and others - -	Hercules, of Dartmouth	150	Thomas Newcomen.	„
		Peter	50	Gilbert Page	
Nov. 2	John Hatch, and others	Rainbow, of Bristol	160	Not stated	„
		Her Pinnace - -	40	Not stated -	
„ 8	Joseph Lysley, and others.	Abigail, of Weymouth	100	Joseph Lysley -	p. 55.
„ „	Edmund Beane, and others.	Hopewell, of London -	100	John Beaversham	„
„ 11	John Blake, and others.	Crispino, of London -	500	John Blake -	„
		Swallow - -	60	Not stated -	
„ 17	Richard Russell, and others - -	Hopewell, of London -	150	Richard Russell	„
		Pinnace - -	30	Jero Lampon -	
„ 18	John Gibbs, and others	Lion's Whelp, of London.	90	John Gibbs -	„
„ „	Thomas Randall, and others.	Black George, of London.	300	Thomas Randall	„
„ 23	John Worgreen, and others.	Hercules, of Dover -	200	John Worgreen	„

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In continuation of those for the Year 1629, printed in this volume at p. 157.

Date of Certificate.	Name of Ship.	Where built.	Tonnage.	Reference to Certificate.
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Jan. 9	Rose, of Dartmouth - -	Not stated -	250	No. 1
„ 13	Pleasure, of London - -	Spanish Prize -	160	„ 2
„ 16	Marygold, of Aldborough -	Aldborough - -	200	„ 3
„ 23	Thomas and John, of Colchester -	Colchester - -	200	„ 4
Feb. 7	Concord, of Ipswich - - -	Ipswich -	300	„ 5
„ 17	Bark Warwick - -	Ratcliffe - -	50	„ 6
„ [17]	Blessing, of London - - -	Blackwall - -	280	„ 7
„ 27	Samaritan, of London - -	Horselydown -	260	„ 8
„ „	Protection, of Ipswich - -	Woodbridge [?] -	200	„ 9
March 13	Elizabeth, of Harwich - -	Ipswich - -	240	„ 10
„ „	Unity, of Yarmouth - - -	Not stated - -	180	„ 11
„ 17	Nathaniel, of London - -	Wapping -	100	„ 12
„ 20	Katharine, of Aldborough - -	Aldborough -	240	„ 13
„ „	Friendship, of the same - -	The same - -	200	„ 14
„ „	George, of Yarmouth - -	Yarmouth - -	400	„ 15
April 3	Neptune - - - - -	Not stated - -	240	„ 16
„ 14	Aletheia, of Ipswich - -	Ipswich - -	250	„ 17
„ „	Sarah, of London - - -	Limehouse - -	300	„ 18
„ 28	Falcon, of the same - - -	Ratcliffe - -	80	„ 19
May 8	Not named - - - -	Ipswich - -	300	„ 20
„ 13	William and Sarah, of London -	Not stated - -	200	„ 21
„ 15	Joseph, of Ipswich - - -	Ipswich - -	250	„ 22
„ 21	Mary, of London - - -	Not stated - -	80	„ 23
„ 26	Margaret Constant, of London -	Wapping - -	350	„ 24
June 5	Charles, of the same - -	Shoreham - -	300	„ 25
„ 8	Mayflower, of Ipswich - -	Ipswich - -	240	„ 26
July 30	Not named - - - -	The same - -	250	„ 27
August 28	Chrispianna, of London - -	Limehouse - -	400	„ 28
Sept. 11	Reformation, of the same - -	Not stated - -	250	„ 29
„ 29	Recovery, of the same - -	The like - -	160	„ 30
October 20	Christian, of Weymouth - -	The like - -	80	„ 31
„ 27	William and Ralph, of London -	The like - -	250	„ 32
„ „	Unity, of London - - -	The like - -	140	„ 33
„ 30	Expectation -	The like - -	130	„ 34
Dec. 19	Four Sisters, of London - -	The like - -	300	„ 35
„ 22	Fame, of the same - - -	The like - -	300	„ 36
„ 31	William and Thomas, of London	Limehouse - -	300	„ 37

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Jan. 2. 1. Petition of Sir Richard Graham to the King. The want of education on the borders of Cumberland is so great, that the poor inhabitants cannot say the Lord's Prayer, and their ignorance of God draws them to robbing, stealing, and all other manner of lewd vices, insomuch that at the last gaol delivery, those felons that were going to be hanged begged that their children might be brought up in the fear of God, the want whereof brought them to that untimely end. There is no church within nine miles' compass, but only the church of Arthuret, that of Kirkandrews having been taken down when the borders were in disorder, and a house builded of it. Prays that the King will re-establish the parish of Kirkandrews and Nichol Forest, "as an extent [extant?] parish by themselves," and give directions for briefs to assist the parishioners in finishing the work. *Annexed,*

1. I. *Petition of Cuthbert Curwen to Sir Richard Graham, landlord of the barony of Liddell, in the parish of Arthuret and Kirkandrews. Prays him to make the above application to his Majesty. Subscribes himself as being the Minister and having the cure of souls under Sir Richard. Underwritten,*

1. II. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a grant as desired.*

Jan. 2. Stockton. 2. John Toppe, Sheriff of Wilts, to the Council. Sends certificate from Justices of Peace for that county. Their markets plentifully supplied; buyers have been rather wanting than corn. Prices decrease. *Inclosed,*

2. I. *Sir Thomas Sadler and Anthony Wilkes to the Sheriff of Wilts. Report their proceedings in regulating the sale and price of corn throughout the county. Explain why the other magistrates had not taken part in the inquiry; Lord Gorges was obliged to repair to London, Mr. Henry Sherfield, the Recorder of Sarum, was lame from a fall, and the rest absent or unwell.*

Jan. 3. Hinton. 3. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. Advises him not to take physic for the gout. The writer's daughter, Smith, has a daughter born, which has been christened Elizabeth. Great dearth of all kinds of grain. Prices rise by little and little, which he attributes to the great care to prevent dearth having given umbrage to the corn-masters, that something is to be feared which they see not. Wheat is between 8*s.* and 9*s.* the bushel; other grains, 5*s.*

Jan. 3. Exeter College, Oxford. 4. Certificate of the Rector and others of Exeter College, that since Mr. Perryman and Mr. Hayter have been teachers of the High School of Exeter, as many well-grounded grammarians, both in Greek and Latin, have come from thence to that college as ever have done, or may be expected. They esteem it one of the chief bursaries for supply of their western students.

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Jan. 3. Dovercourt. 5. William Innes to the Mayor of Harwich. Excuses himself for not coming to the Mayor to-day, being unwell. Would not come into speech with those the Mayor mentions, except in the presence of those who could bridle their tongues. Mr. Webb knows what was accorded in London on Baron Vernon's motion. The writer will rest satisfied with that.

Jan. 4. 6. Petition of Joseph Harrison and Henry Goodwin to the King. The late King granted to Richard Hooper and William Rands an annuity of 30*l.*, in consideration of their clearing the roads and harbours in the Narrow Seas of all anchors and cables, slipt or lost. The patentees being dead, petitioners pray for a renewal of the grant to themselves. *Underwritten,*

6. I. *Reference to the Lords of the Admiralty for consideration. Whitehall,* 1631, *Jan.* 4.

Jan. 4. 7. Justices of Peace for middle division of Surrey to the Council. In Kingston market they have brought down the price of wheat from 9*s.* and 9*s.* 6*d.* the bushel, to 7*s.*, and they see the poorer sort served with rye at 5*s.* Prices are kept up by the bakers.

Jan. 5. 8. Commission to Archbishop Abbot, the Lord Keeper, Archbishop Harsnet, the Lord Treasurer, Lord President Conway, the Earls of Manchester, Lindsey, Arundel and Surrey, Pembroke and Montgomery, Suffolk, Dorset, Salisbury, Exeter, Bridgewater, Carlisle, Holland, Banbury, Danby, Morton, and Kelly, Viscounts Wimbledon, Dorchester, Wentworth, Grandison, and Falkland, Bishops Laud and Neile, Lord Newburgh, Sir Thomas Edmondes, Sir Henry Vane, Sir Thomas Jermyn, Vice-chamberlain of the Household, Sir Robert Naunton, Sec. Coke, Sir Francis Cottington, Sir Julius Cæsar, and Sir William Alexander, appointing them to be Commissioners for inquiring into the execution of the laws which anyway concern the relief of the poor, the binding out of apprentices, the setting to work poor people, the compelling the lazy to work, the maintenance of houses of correction, payments for relief of soldiers and mariners, punishment of rogues and vagabonds, repressing drunkenness, keeping watch and ward, and how other public services for God, the King, and the Commonwealth, are put in practice and executed.

Jan. 5. 9. Lords of the Admiralty to Capt. John Mennes, of the Garland. Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador extraordinary to the States of the United Provinces, is to return to England by Calais, where he will be on the 7th inst. Capt. Mennes is to repair thither and transport him to Dover, or as he shall direct, and having performed this service, is to pursue his former instructions.

Jan. 5. Collection of the rates of payment allowed to Admirals on the coast of Ireland, from the 22nd Elizabeth to the 1st year of King Charles, attested by Sir Richard Sutton, Auditor. [*Copy. See* DOMESTIC, *Eliz.*, 1590, *Vol. of Admiralty Collections, fol.* 94 *b.*]

Jan. 5. Another copy of the same, with an explanatory supplementary note by Sir Richard Sutton. [*Ibid, fol.* 142 *b.*]

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Jan. 5. Cannoget. [Canongate, Edinburgh.]

10. Colin Earl of Seaforth to Sec. Coke. His delay in coming to Court is occasioned by the dangerous illness of his wife. The business of the fishing will suffer delay this year as before, if the King interpose not his authority, as he may both legally and justly.

Jan. 5.

11. Statement of the employments of Mr. Cartwright in the Third Whelp, and afterwards in the Fifth Whelp, from 2 Aug. 1629 to 28 Dec. 1630.

Jan. 6. Whitehall.

Proclamation concerning Tobacco. Notwithstanding previous proclamations, tobacco continues to be planted in great quantities in several parts of the realm, and a vast proportion of unserviceable tobacco to be brought from Virginia, Sommers Islands, and other English plantations, besides an incredible quantity of Brazil and Spanish tobacco, imported secretly. Our foreign plantations lingering only on tobacco, are in danger to be ruined, the bodies and manners of the people of this country to be corrupted, and the wealth of the kingdom to be exhausted by so useless a weed as tobacco. All persons are, therefore, forbidden to plant, or, save with the King's licence, to import tobacco. No tobacco from the English plantations is to be brought into any other port than London, nor any greater quantity than the King shall declare to be competent, his Majesty not thinking it fit to admit of an immeasurable expense of so vain and needless a commodity, which ought to be used as a drug only, and not so vainly and wantonly as an evil habit of late times has brought it to. [*Coll. Procs. Car. I., No.* 138.]

Jan. 6. Westminster.

12. The King to Phineas Pett. Letters patent appointing him to be one of the Officers of the Navy, with a fee of 200*l.* per annum, and an allowance of 8*d.* per day for his clerk. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 6.

Another copy of the same. [*See* DOMESTIC *Eliz.*, 1590, *Vol. of Admiralty Collections, fol.* 99.]

[Jan. 6 ?]

13. Petition of William Belou to the King. His Majesty granted him three years past letters patent for levying 5,000*l.* out of felons' goods due to the Duke of Holstein, and 5,000*l.* for himself, in consideration of his long services to the late King and Queen. But petitioner has as yet received nothing at all, for felons of any value have been begged by particular grants, which draws petitioner into law suits. To put an end to this, prays that a grant of the King's third part may be made to Mr. Porter and Mr. Murray.

[Jan. 6 ?]

14. William Belou to Endymion Porter. Sends him the above petition for presentation. It is 40 years since he entered the late Queen's service, and either as servant, pensioner, or dependant he defies the earth to lay any blot on his fidelity.

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15. [The Council] to the Officers of the Custom House and Farmers of the Customs. Send them the proclamation against planting tobacco. For further suppression of that overgrown abuse of this drug, whereby the minds and bodies of his subjects are disabled and

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corrupted, the King has laid a new imposition upon all Spanish tobacco of 2*s.* the pound; on tobacco of St. Christopher's, the Barbadoes, and other islands in those parts, 12*d.* the pound; on tobacco of Virginia and the Sommers Islands, 9*d.* the pound. These rates they are to collect for his Majesty's use. No tobacco is to be brought into any other port than London. [*Copy in the handwriting of Sec. Coke.*]

Jan. 6. 16. Brief notes by Sec. Coke, with a view to the preparation of the preceding letter.

Jan. 6. Wells. 17. Justices of Peace of co. Somerset to the Sheriff of the same county. Return for the hundreds of Wells, Whitstone, Glaston, and the Twelve Hundreds, of the quantity of corn in store and the measures taken to supply the markets and keep down the price.

[Jan. 7.] 18. Petition of Ellen Charlton to the King. Formerly petitioned for a pardon for her two sons, who were condemned and lost their lives. For entertaining her sons, she is in danger of her life. Prays a pardon. *Annexed,*

18. I. *Attorney General Heath to* [*Sec. Dorchester*]. *If the suggestions of Ellen Charlton's petition be true, she is very capable of his Majesty's pardon. Even if she knew her sons' offences, he inclines far to favour a mother in such a case.* 1631, *Jan.* 7.

Jan. 7. Whitehall. 19. Lord Treasurer Weston to Robert Kirkham, Clerk of the Signet, now attending. To prepare a bill for the King's signature for payment to Edward Nicholas of 200*l.* per annum, for his attendance and service in his Majesty's affairs of the Admiralty. [*Copy.*] *Annexed,*

19. I. *Petition of Nicholas to the Council. Prays that they would move his Majesty to make the above grant.* (*See Vol.* clxxxii., *No.* 49.)

Jan. 7. 20. Sir Thomas Barrington to Sec. Dorchester. Has sent to his Sec., Mr. Lucas, the certificate of the Justices for that division of Essex, respecting the sale and price of corn. Much advantage from laying in stores in every parish, with the abatement of 18*d.* and 2*s.* in the bushel to the poor. Exportation prohibited, and the meaner sort provided for, the prices will of themselves fall.

Jan. 7. 21. "Fundamentals for the subsistence of the Foreign Churches "in this realm," being an abridgement of public acts in which the existence of such churches is recognized, from 1550 to the present time, the last of such acts being an order of Council addressed to the Dutch Church at Norwich, dated this day, whereby it is ordered that all members of the same church, although born in this kingdom, shall continue to be of such church so long as his Majesty shall please, and shall contribute to the maintenance

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of the ministry and poor, as occasion shall require. According to the indorsement this paper was "tendered to me [Mr. Dell for Bishop Laud?] by their ministers."

Jan. 7. 22. Copy of the preceding.

Jan. 8. 23. Petition of the poor condemned prisoners in the several gaols of England to the King. On the happy birth of Prince Charles, petitioners were reprieved from death, but have continued in prison in great misery, suffering hunger, thirst, cold, and all other discommodities incident to poor prisoners. Petitioners are so poor as to be unable to sue out the King's pardon, and the Clerks of Assize and Town Clerks will not be suitors for them unless they had means to gratify their pains. Pray for order to the Lord Keeper to give directions to the Judges to prepare their pardons. *Underwritten,*

23. I. *Reference to the Lord Keeper to give order to the Attorney General to prepare pardons on certificate of the Judges. Whitehall,* 1631, *Jan.* 8.

23. II. *Lord Keeper Coventry to Attorney General Heath. To prepare pardons on the certificates above mentioned.* 1631, *Feb.* 16.

Jan. 8. 24. Minutes by Nicholas of business to be transacted by the Lords of the Admiralty at their meeting this day. 1. Complaint against Capt. Hooke; 2. Sale of the Notre Dame and the St. Peter; 3. Repairs of the Fifth Whelp; 4. Petitions in Nicholas's hands; 5. Grant to Mr. Ramsey of pirates' goods; 6. Francis Godolphin's claim as Vice-Admiral of Scilly of three parts in four; 7. Mr. Bonithon, of St. Mawe's Castle, to answer the complaint of Sir William Killigrew.

Jan. 8. 25. Sir Guilford Slingsby to the Lords of the Admiralty. Conceiving that they have determined to decide the controversy touching superiority of place between Sir Thomas Aylesbury and Sir William Russell, the writer sends them his collection of precedents, which although chiefly applicable to the former similar dispute between Sir Richard Bingley and himself, indirectly concern the present question. *Inclosed,*

25. I. *Remonstrance of the records heretofore produced in the Council Chamber concerning the precedency of the Officers of the Navy.*

Jan. 8. 26. Petition of Hannibal Bonithon, Lieutenant of St. Mawes Castle, to the same. Is fetched up by warrant from his charge, being near 300 miles from hence, by the messenger attendant. Prays for a copy of such things as he is charged withal.

Jan. 8. 27. Officers of the Navy to the same. State the various allowances made to Admirals on the coast of Ireland, varying from 20*s.* per diem to 3*s.* 6*d.*, according to the quality of the person employed, nature of his employment, and size of his ship. Submit

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the facts to their consideration. [*According to Nicholas's indorsement the Lords gave answer to Sir Thomas Button that they would not allow for his pay as Admiral at this time more than 5s. per diem.*]

Jan. 8. Copy of the same, but dated Jan. 9. [*See* DOMESTIC, *Eliz.*, 1590. *Vol. of Admiralty Collections, fol.* 141 *b.*]

Jan. 8. Collection of rates of pay allowed to Admirals upon the coasts of Ireland in certain years from 23rd Elizabeth to the 18th James, certified by George Bingley. [*This and the paper on the same subject, calendared 5 Jan. inst., are referred to in the preceding letter.*] [*Copy. See* DOMESTIC, *Eliz.* 1590. *Vol. of Admiralty Collections, fol.* 95.]

Jan. 8. Another copy of the same. [*Ibid., fol.* 142.]

Jan. 8. London. 28. Sec. Coke to William Trumbull, Clerk of the Council. The Lord Chamberlain understands that Bartholomew Bullinger, who is a chief witness in the business wherein his Lordship is engaged, is detained by Mr. Mansell, who lodges at the house of one Thomas, in Chancery Lane, over against the Rolls. This afternoon the Lords of the Admiralty have appointed a meeting. Trumbull must send a messenger to Mansell to require him to be there.

Jan. 8. Scotter. 29. Justices of Peace for co. Lincoln to the Constables of the wapentake of Yarborough. By reason of a general restraint for the boating of any corn at Barton for exportation, there is stop made of corn long since bought for provision of Sir Thomas Monson's house. They are to allow the same to be brought away. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 8. 30. William Belou to Endymion Porter. Yesterday Mr. Weckherlin, Secretary to Lord Dorchester, told the writer that Mrs. Harrington was importunately instant to have the King's third part of the suit his Majesty had granted the writer. Begs him to intercede with his Majesty to prevent it. His Majesty promised not to give it to any but William Murray or Porter. To be joined with a party from whom he can expect nothing but crosses and thwarts, will be worse than death.

Jan. 9. Whitehall. 31. Orders by the King for reformation of certain irregularities in the Court. 1. That precedency be duly observed in going to and coming from Chapel; 2. That none wait upon the King to Chapel in boots and spurs, or enter booted into the presence or privy chamber; 3. That no man come into the inner closet under the degree of a baron; 4. That no man come upon the degrees where the chairs of the King and Queen are placed, but such as are licensed to come into the inner closet; 5. The like distance to be observed when either the King or Queen eats in public; 6. Ladies about the Queen to keep their places as orderly as the lords are to do; 7. That both noblemen and their ladies use great distance and respect to the royal persons, as also civility one to another.

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Jan. 9. 32. Petition of Sir William Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, to the King. Petitioner trading as an adventurer in the Muscovy Company, and being dissatisfied with the management, withdrew his share in their stock at a great loss. The Company afterwards became greatly indebted. A reference was made to certain aldermen and others to find out a means to satisfy the debts, which they directed to be done by levying great part thereof on former adventurers, and among them on petitioner. He, with Sir Richard Smith and William Cater, took legal proceedings thereon, but considering the importance of the cause as a precedent, petitioner prays that it may be referred for determination to the Commissioners for matters of trade. *Underwritten,*

32. I. *Reference to the said Commissioners accordingly. Whitehall,* 1631, *Jan.* 9.

Jan. 9. On board the Garland. 33. Capt. John Mennes to Sec. Dorchester. On the 6th inst., at 12 at night, received command to stand over to Calais to attend the coming of Sir Henry Vane. At 6 next morning anchored in Calais Road, but hearing no news of Sir Henry, and finding a packet directed to the Sec., he stood over to Dover, and delivered it to a boat of the town. Is on his return to Calais.

Jan. 10. 34. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a licence to Francis Earl of Bedford, to build upon the premises called Covent Garden and Long Acre, with a pardon to the Earl, and such persons as he shall name, for offences committed against the proclamations for restraint of building upon new foundations.

Jan. 10. On board the Garland. 35. Capt. John Mennes to the Lords of the Admiralty. Stood over to Calais on the 7th inst. to receive Sir Henry Vane, but could hear no tidings of him. The road being dangerous, he is plying between Dover and Calais. The King of France is building a fort near Calais, which will command the town. They talk much of a fleet that King will maintain in the Narrow Seas all this summer. The seas are full of Turks, as every sail that comes home certifies.

Jan. 10. On board the Garland. 36. The same to Nicholas. Repeats the information in the preceding letter. Is sorry their Lordships dislike his master. He despairs of having his fellow for carefulness and knowledge. For his brother, the writer, hopes he shall prevail with their Lordships.

[Jan. 10?] 37. Sec. Dorchester to two Lords in attendance upon the King, perhaps Lords Carlisle and Holland. Hopes the weakness which his sharp pains have left behind them will be an excuse for a joint letter. Begs them to get his Majesty's hand to a safe-conduct for two such persons as the King of Bohemia shall think fit to send hither to advise of the dispatch to be made to Vienna. May hope for their arrival against the return of the persons addressed from Newmarket. Removes that day to his house at Westminster, leaving Ladies Killigrew and Carey in the hospital, but both well recovered. Our young master continues in a blessed prosperity of health, but his *gouvernante* had a sharp pull of a coliquous sickness, whereof

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she is delivered. They will have with them soon the young Count Henry of Nassau, a young gentleman of as great hope as any the writer ever knew of that nation. A privy seal sent, to be signed by the King, for 300*l.* for the gentlemen who carries his Majesty's letters to the King of Sweden and the other German princes.

Jan. 10. Busbridge. 38. Sir William Elyott to [Sec. Dorchester?]. The poor people of Godalming and Wonersh, who depend on the clothiers, amount to 1,100, besides others in neighbouring parishes to the number of 3,000 persons. Prays him to take the state of the clothiers into his consideration.

Jan. 11. Winchester. 39. Justices of Peace for Hants to the Council. By their letter of the last of December see that the Lords have received information that there has been neglect in performing the orders for regulating the markets. This seems very strange to the writers. They have carefully followed their directions. The markets are plentifully furnished, and the prices under the rates their Lordships proposed to be reasonable, viz., 6*s.* 8*d.* or 7*s.* for wheat, and other corn in proportion.

Jan. 11. Hertford. 40. Justices of Peace for co. Hertford, acting for the hundreds of Edwinstree and Odsey, to the same. Report their performance of the orders for regulating the price of corn. Grain sufficient within these hundreds, both for supply and sowing, with a surplus. Prices at Royston market on the 5th inst., wheat 7*s.* 6*d.*, and other corn in proportion.

Jan. 11. 41. Anne Lady Glemham to her daughter Anne Countess of Dorchester. Sends a paper, which was sent to the writer since her noble father died, to show how much Lord Treasurer Salisbury favoured the Hollanders, and what plea they made at the Council table to maintain their right in fishing. Believes that now they will rather resist in another way, since they want such a powerful friend as Lord Salisbury, and since in his place is one that will put them to it, as common fame says. [*Attached is a paper, on which is written, in another hand, "This was sent to me after my father died."*]

Jan. 11. Paris. 42. Lord Henry Percy to his brother James Earl of Carlisle. Thanks for favours. Does not offer at news, knowing of Mr. Montagu's packets. The Earl's requests, the one in respect of the writer's body, the other on the part of his reputation and honesty, shall not be denied.

Jan. 11. Whitehall. 43. Philip, Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery to Attorney General Heath. Has heretofore acquainted him with the King's pleasure, that the patent granted to Sir Robert Douglas, of the keeping of Richmond, and that granted to Theobald Piers, of the keeping the wardrobe there, should be settled, so that there might not be two grants of the same place. Sir Robert Douglas is well contented to resign his patent, and take a new one without the keeping of the wardrobe. The Attorney General is to have a patent passed accordingly.

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Jan. 12. Westminster. 44. The King to the Vice-President of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. The late President Dr. Holt being deceased, the King recommends to the College Dr. Jackson, one of his chaplains, and sometime a Fellow of that house. [*Copy.*]

Jan 12. Winchester. 45. Justices of Peace of Hants to the Council. Having ascertained the truth of the inclosed petition, they recommend the same to the consideration of their Lordships. *Inclosed,*

45. I. *Petition of the clothiers of Basingstoke to Lord Chief Justice Hyde and other Justices of the Peace for Hants. They heretofore made in Basingstoke* 30 *broad cloths and* 100 *kersies which employed the poor of* 80 *parishes. Now there are not more than* 7 *broad cloths and* 20 *kersies made weekly and their cloth lies on their hands, the merchants refusing to buy, whereby the petitioners are discouraged and the poor daily increase. Pray relief.*

Jan. 12. Reading, at the Quarter Sessions. 46. Justices of Peace for Berks to the same. Have considered their letters in favour of James Senior, Ensign. The public stock for this year will not equal the charges thereon, but they have bestowed upon Senior 20*s.*, with promise of the first pension that shall become void.

Jan. 12. Whitehall. 47. Sir Robert Killigrew to Mr. Nicholls [Nicholas]. The Earl of Dorset tells the writer that the Lords [of the Admiralty] are content to write another letter to Sir Francis Vivian, wherein Nicholas must express how ill they take it that he has suffered his Lieutenant [Bonithon] to transgress their commands. If he shall again stay any ship at St. Mawes, they will take it as a high contempt. The Lords are content to write a sharp letter.

Jan. 12. 48. Receipt for 10*l.* from Nicholas, rent to Mr. Caldwell at St. Thomas the Apostle last, for a house, garden, and stables in King Street and Axe Yard, Westminster.

Jan. 13. Westminster. 49. Warrant under the Privy Seal to the Lords of the Admiralty. To pay to Edward Nicholas 200*l.* for past service in the affairs of the Admiralty and Navy, and to continue to pay the same yearly during pleasure.

Jan. 13. 50. Order of Court of Sessions held at Kirton, co. Lincoln, that Sir John Monson, having bought at Barton-upon-Humber certain quantities of corn for his own use and the benefit of the poor, should not be hindered in fetching the same away on pain of forfeiture of 40*l.*

Jan. 14. Whitehall. 51. Order of Council. Henry Mansell, Rowland Vaughan, and others having been sent for about seizing the St. Michael in the Road of the Mumbles, the business is referred for examination to the Lords of the Admiralty.

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Jan. 14. 52. Sec. Dorchester to Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, Lord Chamberlain. Was sorry not to find Dr. Steward in the bill of the preachers for this Lent, he being as fit a man as the writer knows for a place in Church government. Study and industry have taken so much out of the good honest man, that there is little left to continue him in this world, unless he be kept in life by encouragement in well doing. Begs that the bill may be changed. The King has always declared good satisfaction in hearing Dr. Steward. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 14. 53. Henry Earl of Holland to Sec. Dorchester. The King has sent word by Mr. Cofferer what is his opinion concerning the desire of the King of Bohemia for the place of the negociation of his affairs. His sense was according to Dorchester's and so also of the letter to the King of Spain, that they desire should be sent over. The King thinks also that, according to the wish of the town of Geneva, Dorchester should draw a letter to the French King; and also that our merchants should be advised to give such satisfaction as may secure the Turkey Company from danger at Constantinople. The King wishes him not to adventure a journey thither [to Newmarket].

Jan. 14. Morpeth. 54. Justices of Peace of Northumberland to the same. Mr. Brandling, the High Sheriff, having been commanded to appear at the Council Board, to answer some informations for taking that office upon him to undo and oppress the country, the writers certify that this gentleman executed the office formerly with good approbation and without public complaint. His absence out of the county will be prejudicial to the public service.

Jan. 14. The Hague. 55. William Lord Craven to the same. Thanks for favours, and wishes for his safe recovery.

[Jan. 15 ?] 56. Petition of Sir John Wake to the King. For enabling petitioner to sell lands for payment of his and his late father, Sir Baldwin Wake's debts, the King took him and his sureties into his protection. Has sold lands and raised 9,000*l.* but by reason of the sickness certain referees have been unable as yet to compound with the creditors. Prays renewal of his protection for a year longer.

Jan. 15. 57. Petition of John Wriothesly, late purser of the Vanguard, to the Lords of the Admiralty. By being displaced is utterly undone. Prays that the matter against him may be reviewed, or that he may have a legal trial.

Jan. 15. Deptford. 58. Kenrick Edisbury to Nicholas. Reports the services of Sir Francis Stewart, in the year 1625. He desires Nicholas to move the Lords for his allowance. The office cannot right him beyond 8*s.* per diem, which is the ordinary captain's pay without ship.

Jan. 15. Trewent. 59. George Ellis to Sir Thomas Canon. A miserable wreck took place at Bosheston, in November last, of a ship from Ireland. All the people and cattle perished. The wreck which came ashore was

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seized by Mr. Lort, alleging that he had title; but he has proved only a right within Combe Martin, where this did not occur. The dead bodies still lie stript naked upon the rocks and sand, unburied. A Commission from the Admiralty has been inquiring about this and other wrecks; but Mr. Lort is sick, and the chief actors keep out of the way. One of his sons is in London, to get, as is reported, a new patent for all wrecks between the two fresh waters.

Jan. 15. 60. Answers made by John Davenport, B.D., and Vicar of St. Stephen's, in Coleman Street, to objections devised against him by Timothy Hood, sometime his curate. The articles refer to the reading of the Litany on Sundays, the use of the surplice, issue of tokens for admission to the communion, administration from pew to pew, signature of the cross in baptism, and personal disputes between the vicar and curate. [*Indorsed by Bishop Laud.*]

Jan. 16. Durham. 61. Drs. Augustine Lindsell and John Cosin to Eleazar Dunkon, chaplain in house to Bishop Neile, of Winchester. That which they related at Farnham concerning the reading of the Nicene Creed and the common singing of psalms by all the people together, instead of the Quire Anthems, in Durham Cathedral, was no more than they heard with their ears and saw with their eyes. That "my Lord" [Bishop Neile] should be assured to the contrary is no little marvel to them. For better satisfaction, they relate the whole circumstances in reference to those departures from previous custom in Durham Cathedral, the alterations having proceeded from the then Bishop Howson, and being in accordance with his directions. [*Underwritten,* is the further attestation of William James, one of the prebends; William Smith, the sacrist; and Richard Hucheson, organist.]

Jan. 17. Grant to Sir Arthur Ingram, enabling him to recover 725*l.* 3*s.* 2¾*d.* out of the estate of James Jackson, deceased, late Receiver of his Majesty's revenues in co. York, when he was Prince, which sum had been paid into the Exchequer by the said Sir Arthur and Ambrose Beckwith, as sureties of the said Jackson. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 17. Grant to Humphrey Jones and Evan Jones, of the offices of Receiver of his Majesty's revenue in cos. Anglesea, Carnarvon, Merioneth, Denbigh, Flint, Montgomery, and Chester, during their lives successively, on surrender of Thomas Trafford the elder, and Thomas Trafford the younger. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 17. Licence to David Ramsey, Thomas Parker, and others, for the sole use for 14 years of a new engine for raising water out of mines and coalpits. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 17. Licence to David Ramsey to put in practice during 14 years divers inventions for multiplying saltpetre, for raising water out of pits by fire, for making mills to go upon standing waters, and other like new inventions. [*Docquet.*]

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Jan. 17. Warrant to the Great Wardrobe for delivery of certain camlet and other necessaries yearly to John Ferrabosco, one of his Majesty's musicians for the wind instruments, in the room of Henry Ferrabosco. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 17. Grant to Eustace Hannaway, his Majesty's servant, of the keepership of the game about the River Thames, from Wandsworth Bridge to Merton Abbey, co. Surrey, with the fee of 12*d.* per diem, and 26*s.* 8*d.* yearly for a livery, during pleasure. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 17. 62. Bishop Davenant, of Salisbury, to the Council. Lord Gorges has received from them a paper signed by the Earl of Castlehaven, wherein he desires that certain particular goods of his may be sent up to him in the Tower, and they had willed the same to be sent, with a trunk wherein the Countess of Castlehaven's apparel is locked up. The trunk was delivered by the Bishop to Edward Dudley by a former order of the Council, and he has given the keys to Lord Gorges to send up the remainder. Knows not how the case stands with the Earl, but submits that by ancient charter his predecessors and himself have hitherto enjoyed all goods in the city [Salisbury] which happen to be forfeited.

Jan. 17. Pendennis Castle. 63. Sir William Killigrew to Sec. Dorchester. Prays him to be a suitor to the King for setting up the Lizard light again, which heretofore his kinsman Sir John Killigrew had by patent from King James, but which had been forbidden at the request of the Trinity House. The writer has compounded with Sir John Killigrew, and desires a new patent. 'Tis a thing all seamen desire, but most, [the] strangest, who wonder by what unjust complaints so great a benefit is lost; every year many ships are wrecked for want of it.

Jan. 17. Hurst. 64. Margaret Lady Savile to the same. Glad he is so well pleased with the picture of her husband, who living so much respected him. Wishes him to make use of some other physician than Dr. Mirne [Mayerne]. Sir Henry Neville, and the writer's nephew Levingstone, assured themselves that his physic shortened their days. Shall not bring her daughter Harrison to London with her, but her son. Shall not be able to remain long unless the Sec. can make a way for her to procure her 80*l.* from Mr. Dickenson.

Jan. 17. 65. Depositions of various witnesses taken in the Court of Admiralty respecting the capture by a Dunkirker, on the 11th inst., at the mouth of Faversham river, of a Dutch pink called the Charity, of Flushing.

Jan. 17. 66. Certificate of Henry Butler and various others that, during a recent voyage, William Brissenden, purser of the Fifth Whelp, uttered various contumelious speeches against the Captain Francis Hooke, terming him a rogue, and a base rogue, and threatening to unhorse him, and shear off his ears.

Jan. 18. 67. Justices of Peace for Essex to the Council. The inhabitants of the division of the hundred of Dengey, by reason of the foulness

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of the ways, have not vented their corn at any country markets, but have always sent it to London by sea. To bring it to market is almost impossible, nor is it needed; Maldon, their nearest market town, being well supplied.

Jan. 18. Witham. 68. Other Justices of Peace for Essex to the Council. They executed the directions of the King's proclamation and book of orders in the hundred of Lexden, and half-hundreds of Witham, Thurstable, and Winstrey, and made certificate thereof to the High Sheriff. [Hearing that he had not certified the same to the Council, they apprize them thereof.

Jan. 18. 69. Statement of the facts proved against Thomas Mansell, Henry Mansell, and others, respecting the seizure of the St. Michael, at the Mumbles, in co. Glamorgan, and her detention from Mr. Herbert, the Deputy Vice-Admiral.

[Jan. 18?] 70. Notes by Nicholas of the principal facts in the above case, with an additional statement respecting the detention of Bartholomew Bullinger, by Thomas Mansell. [*Much damaged by damp.*]

Jan. 18. 71. Petition of John Archer, M.A., to Bishop Laud. Being by his Lordship's censure suspended from all ministerial employment, he prays that what errors through his inexperience have been committed, may be remitted, he referring himself to the Bishop to be instructed and rectified in any matter of opinion or practice.

Jan. 19. Whitehall. 72. Order of Council. On petition of Robert Jarman it appeared that he had taken a house within the Palace of Westminster, intending to make a tavern of the same, but that he was opposed by Sir Abraham Williams, who had obtained an order to suppress the same tavern. After consideration and perusal of the Stat. 38 Hen. VIII., whereby the limits of the said palace are set forth, it is ordered that the former order should be ratified, and directions given to Sir William Slingsby and Peter Heywood to compel Jarman to remove his wines, or stand committed.

Jan. 19. 73. Petition of Robert Barker, his Majesty's printer, to the Council. In July last a warrant of assistance was granted to petitioner to search for prohibited books. (*Vol.* clxx., *No.* 54.) Petitioner sent to Bristol and York and found out and seized divers Bibles printed beyond seas. Since which Michael Sparke, the most capital offender in the premises, has arrested one of petitioner's agents and declared against him for execution of the said warrant. Prays that Sparke may be brought before their Lordships to answer the premises.

Jan. 19. Norwich. 74. Francis Mapes, Sheriff of Norfolk, to the same. States contents of certificates received from various Justices of Peace throughout the county. If there be no transportation of corn and butter, then there will be sufficient provision of both, though at a dear rate, and it is no whit doubted that the poor may be contained within terms of duty and obedience without the suffering of any extremity.

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Jan. 19. Trinity House. 75. Master, Wardens, and Assistants of the Trinity House, to the Lords of the Admiralty. On the intreaty of Hannibal Bonithon they certify that the Castle of St. Mawes is of great consequence for the safety of the country, for other let to hinder the enemy from landing on the east side of "that port" there is none.

Jan. 19. Nicholas to Sir Robert Pye. Mr. Rutt is to pay this day into the receipt of the Exchequer from William Willett and others, of Bristol, Commissioners for sale of the St. John, of Dunkirk, 500*l.*, part of the proceeds of that ship and lading. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 87.]

Jan. 19. 76. Report of Mr. Boswell and Capt. Mason to the Council of War on petitions which stand for answer, with suggested answers. Among them are petitions of Lieut. Cornewall, Capt. John Powell, and various others, who claim money out of the arrears to various dead officers; Mary Turnour, widow of Cyril Turnour, Capt. Nathaniel Taylor, and Lieut. Stephen Hussey.

Jan. 19. Newmarket. 77. James, Earl of Carlisle, to Sec. Dorchester. Don Carlos has renewed his request for a pardon for Burgess, and his Majesty has again commanded the Earl to signify that execution of the sentence be suspended, so that on information of the circumstances his Majesty may resolve whether he be a fit subject for clemency.

Jan. 19. Carleton, near Penrith. 78. Thomas Carleton to the same. Wishes him to give thanks to the Lord President for sparing the writer in this general time of fining for not attending knighthood at the coronation. His name was in the first general summons from York, and was returned by the late Sheriff. 'Tis with confidence affirmed that Cumberland and Westmoreland have paid in these fines above 30 subsidies, yet no man complains in respect of his fair carriage of the business; sed cum strepitu maximo.

Jan. 20. Whitborne. 79. Bishop Godwin, of Hereford, to the King. His answer to the Commissioners for disafforestation of Malvern Chase no way proceeded from any coldness or backwardness to do the King service, but from a desire to certify his Majesty of the estate of the Bishop's Chase as distinguished from the other, that having notice thereof, according to his wonted care of his episcopal sees, he might favourably dispose of that small parcel belonging to the Bishopric of Hereford.

Jan. 20. Combe Sydenham. 80. Sir Francis Dodington, Sheriff of co. Somerset, to the Council. According to the proclamation and directions respecting the price of corn and regulation of the markets, he and the Justices of the Peace had diligently done their endeavours, as appears by two certificates of the Justices inclosed. [*Perhaps the inclosures were the papers calendared in Vol.* clxxvi., *Nos.* 18 *and* 39.]

Jan. 20. 81. Justices of the Peace for the Hundreds of Reading and Theale, in co. Berks, with the Mayor of Reading, to the same. Report their endeavours to abate the price of wheat, notwithstanding

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which it had risen 12*d.* the bushel since Christmas, which they attribute to the price advancing in London. The corn masters set apart a sack in every load to serve for the poor at 12*d.* per bushel under the market, which the writers cause to be housed, and the poor served therewith by pecks and half pecks.

Jan. 20. Haverford West. 82. Commissioners appointed to inquire concerning certain wreck lately found near Bosheston, co. Pembroke, to Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty. Certain persons necessary to be examined have wilfully made default in appearance, or have so obscured themselves that the messenger could not summon them, by reason whereof the writers were forced to give over the further execution of the commission. *Inclosed,*

82. I. *Schedule of the names of the witnesses above mentioned, the chief of them being Henry Lort, of Stackpoole Court, co. Pembroke, with Judith his wife, Anna his daughter, and others of his family.*

Jan. 20. 83. Minute of application of Kenrick Edisbury, that the Lords might be moved concerning the Christopher, bought of Mr. Coombes, of Southampton, on terms that if burnt in the service of Rochelle she was to be paid for, if she returned, he was to have freight. She sprang a leak and put into Penzance, where she lies rotting, her provisions being in the hands of Capt. Polkinghorne.

Jan. 20. 84. Philip Burlamachi to William Boswell, or "Sig. Morits," to move the Council of War that Capt. Ouseley and the writer may have a day appointed to be heard, in a matter in which Ouseley throws blame and uses scandalous speeches against Burlamachi.

Jan. 20. Westminster. 85. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. Colberg taken by the King of Sweden, Magdeburg blocked up by Tilly, towards whom the King is gone with 12,000 foot and 4,000 horse. Sir Thomas Roe says that the King desires nothing in the world more than to meet Tilly. The French King makes preparation for Italy, but the Pope has sent a nuncio into France for an accommodation. The Queen mother and the Cardinal are in show well reconciled, yet some say,

manet altâ mente repostâ
Judicium Paridis, spretæque injuria formæ.

Sir Henry Vane came last week out of the Low Countries. He went from Gravesend to Newmarket, and came on Tuesday hither. The Commissioners of Spain and the Low Countries meet 1 February. They say the Hollanders have farmed the *gabelle* of salt of the French King, wherein they have cut the throat of our fishing project, for we cannot furnish ourselves elsewhere with salt. Their Majesties will be here on Wednesday next. The Groom of the Stool's place is between Sir Francis Cottington and James Maxwell. Both are rich and able to lay down the 8,000*l.* promised to Sir James Fullerton. Lord Denbigh went last week to the East Indies.

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Jan. 21. Westminster. 1. The King to Patrick Young, William Boswell, and Inigo Jones. Warrant to put into order the King's ancient coins and medals, both Greek and Roman, in gold, silver, and brass. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 21. Docquet of the same.

Jan. 21. 2. Motives presented by Sir William Russell to advertise the Lords of the Admiralty that the Treasurer of the Navy ought to have precedency of place among fellow officers, notwithstanding their quality otherwise. The dispute lay between Sir William and Sir Thomas Aylesbury, who claimed the precedency as an ancienter Baronet and a Master of Requests.

Jan. 21. 3. Copy of the same.

[Jan. 21 ?] 4. Estimate of the ordinary charge of the King's ships in harbour and service for the year 1631; total, 34,233*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*

[Jan. 21 ?] 5. Observations of Nicholas on the preceding estimate, so far as it relates to the fleet in the Narrow Seas.

Jan. 22. 6. Petition of Henry Mansell, Thomas Mansell, and Rowland Vaughan to the Council. On some information that petitioners should disobey a Commission for delivery of a ship, petitioners have been long in custody, together with Rowland Pewe, Thomas Lloyd, Henry Watkins, and Morgan Vaughan, poor men who have not wherewith to give themselves food, much less to pay messengers' fees. Pray that the four poor men may be discharged, and have liberty to go home, and that petitioners may be freed on security to attend for a full hearing.

Jan. 22. 7. Petition of Sir Sampson Darrell, Surveyor of Victuals for the Navy, to the Council. Divers years since Sir Allen Apsley and petitioner entered into contract with the late King to provide victuals for the Navy at 8*d.* per man at sea and 7*d.* in harbour. In respect of the great price of all provisions prays an increase of these rates.

Jan. 22. 8. Affidavits of Matthew Hancock, Nicholas Bowes, and George Raymond, of words used by Triamore Sparkes, formerly a seller of stuffs in Paternoster Row, and now a brewer. He said to the Master and Wardens of the Brewers Company that they ought to have gone to the Lord Mayor and not to the Lords of the Council, for they had nothing to do with the question between him and them. He also threatened to sue them for coming into his house by virtue of a warrant from the Lords, and said he would brew in spite of the Company's teeth.

Jan. 22. 9. Minutes of business to be transacted by the Lords of the Admiralty. 1. Resolve on the guard of the Narrow Seas and charge of the Navy for this year. 2. Case of the Christopher, (*see Vol.* clxxxii., *No.* 83.) [*The Lords conceived that since Mr. Coombes had notice of the ship's being at Penzance, it is at his own peril if he let her*

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perish.] 3. Disposition of the Ninth and Fifth Whelps. 4. Complaint against Capt. Hooke. 5. Letter of Sir Philip Carteret. 6. John Delabarre attends their pleasure. 7. Sir William Russell's Motives to shew his right of precedency.

Jan. 22. 10. Petition of William Herbert, Deputy Vice-Admiral to Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, in his Vice-Admiralty of South Wales, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Offers four particulars proved against Thomas Mansell and the others, and prays them to refer the legal determination of the matter to the Judge of the Admiralty.

Jan. 22. 11. Mayor and Burgesses of St. Mawes to the same. Certificate that the commanders of the castle there have required all shipping to make their repair to the castle for 40 years, and they have heard that the like course was used ever since the castle was finished.

Jan. 22. 12. Similar certificate of inhabitants of St. Just, Philleigh, and Anthony, co. Cornwall.

Jan. 22. Newmarket. 13. Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, Lord Chamberlain, to Sec. Dorchester. There is not any of his Majesty's chaplains whom he more esteems than Dr. Steward, but the King has many more able chaplains than can preach in one Lent. The King approves Dr. Steward well, but if he should be always planted on the list, would it not savour of partiality? Neither King, nor Towers, nor Hackett, nor Browne, nor Gillingham, nor divers other eminent men are on the bill, shall it therefore be thought that they are laid aside with disrespect? It is too late to alter the bill. Shall be sorry if Dr. Steward afflicts himself with ill-grounded mistakings.

Jan. 23. 14. Petition of Ellen Charlton, of Bower, co. Northumberland, to the King. States the execution of her two sons and her own danger for harbouring them. She formerly petitioned the King, and the judge certified that her sons were fit for mercy by the pardon for the birth of the Prince, yet they were cut off. Her own fitness for pardon having been certified by the Attorney General, she prays that order may be given for drawing the same up. *Underwritten,*

14. 1. *Order that if the Attorney General find the poor petitioner capable of grace he should prepare a pardon. Newmarket,* 1631, *Jan.* 23.

Jan. 23. 15. Petition of Attorney General Heath to the King. Petitioner has purchased of Patrick Maule the manor of Collyweston, co. Northampton. In the grant to Mr. Maule there is a covenant that he shall keep 100 deer in the park. The now park is but 108 acres and has no covert, but there are wood lands much fitter for a park. Prays leave to dispark the old park and make a new one out of the wood lands, not exceeding 500 acres. *Underwritten,*

15. 1. *Order for the Solicitor General to prepare a Bill in accordance with the prayer of the petition. Newmarket,* 1631, *Jan.* 23.

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Jan. 23. 16. Petition of Edward Marlyn, convicted prisoner in Newgate, to the King. The Lord Chief Justice [Richardson] has certified that all the delinquents named by him are capable of the King's mercy (*see Vol.* clxxvii., *No.* 1.) Prays warrant for petitioner's transportation into the State of Venice, under Capt. Lodovic Hamilton. *Underwritten,*

16. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a Bill accordingly. Newmarket,* 1631, *Jan.* 23.

Jan. 24. Sutton. 17. Justices of Peace of co. Leicester to the Council. Return of inclosures made within the last two years in the Hundred of Sparkenhoe in that county. They comprised the manors of Market Bosworth and Milston, and fields belonging to Donington on the Heath, in all about 2,000 acres.

Jan. 24. Newmarket. 18. Henry Earl of Holland to Sec. Dorchester. Is commanded by the King to tell him, that he must send to the Lord Keeper, about a book that Sir Edward Coke is setting forth, in which the King fears somewhat may be to the prejudice of his prerogative, for he is held too great an oracle amongst the people, and they may be misled by anything that carries such an authority as all things do that he either speaks or writes; for the prevention of which the King thinks it should not come forth. His Majesty hears that Sir Edward, though he be in no present danger, yet through a late indisposition, he is not likely to last long. The King would have the Sec. choose some person whom he may trust to inquire after his health, and if he be in any present danger, that care may be taken to seal up his study, if he dies, where such papers are, as use may be made of them (having passed through so many great places in the State) for his Majesty's service, and some suppressed that may disserve him. His Majesty is resolved likewise that the papers and dispatches that Lord Conway has left should be recovered; he leaves the manner of it to Dorchester, but have them he will; they are his own words. The writer regrets the continuance of the Sec's. pain and distemper.

Jan. 24. Sandwich. 19. William Earl of Denbigh to Nicholas. George Rookes is a petitioner to the Lords of the Admiralty, concerning a ship of his appraised at 600*l.*, which was taken up by the Earl and employed at Rochelle for a fire ship, for which he has had no satisfaction. Begs Nicholas to give him assistance.

Jan. 24. 20. Form of Warrant from the Lord Mayor to the Alderman of every ward for apprehending and punishing rogues and vagrants in the city of London.

Jan. 25. 21. Dep. Lieuts. of co. Pembroke to the Council. The greatest yearly pay allowed to the muster-master of this county is 30*l.* The late Earl of Northampton, in obedience to their directions, removed a servant of his, being no expert soldier nor resident in the county, and appointed in his stead Charles Wogan, a soldier experienced in the wars and a gentleman of quality resident in the county.

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Jan. 25. The Garland. 22. Capt. John Mennes to Nicholas. Forced into the Downs by extremity of weather, but it being now somewhat fair he purposes to ply up and down. There are above 130 sail English and French wind bound. A States man-of-war came into the road last night sorely paid both by enemy and tempest. Purposes to visit Studland Bay and other places, where if any knaves be abroad they make their rendezvous.

Jan. 25. 23. Names of all the islands, forts, castles, and blockhouses, charged in the Office of the Ordnance, with their several commanders.

Jan. 26. Lockington. 24. Justices of Peace for co. Leicester, to the Council. Return that within their Hundred of West Goscote, there has been no inclosure, save that since Michaelmas last, Henry, Earl of Stamford, has begun to inclose about 50 acres in Breedon, but it is stayed.

Jan. 26. 25. Other Justices of Peace for co. Leicester to the same. Return that Ragdale, in the hundred of East Goscote, was inclosed about 40 years since.

Jan. 26. Chipping Norton. 26. Bailiff and others of Chipping Norton, co. Oxon, to the same. Certificate that Simon Hathaway, convented before the Council for engrossing corn, is a person of turbulent and contentious disposition. About two years past he forfeited 20*l.* to the Corporation, and was bound to answer at the sessions, where he was directed to ask the Bailiff's forgiveness for his evil carriage towards them, which he did in open court, whereupon they forgave him 18*l.* out of the 20*l.*, but he has not surceased from his former ill carriage.

Jan. 26. Caswell. 27. Sir Francis Wenman to ——. Sends a letter to Sir Francis Nethersole to be forwarded. Lady Nethersole has been dangerously sick. Sir Francis Nethersole wrote that he had caused the parsonage at Polesworth to be exchanged. Wishes to know where he may see the record for it.

Jan. 27. Docquet of warrant to pay 19,000*l.* to Philip Burlamachi, a copy whereof is calendared under Jan. 28, *No.* 34.

Jan. 27. Warrant to pay to the same 4,325*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.*, upon account for Daniel Nys, merchant, over and above 11,500*l.* ordered by another privy seal. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 27. The like to the same; 4,736*l.* to be made over to Philip Calandrini. of Amsterdam, upon account for interest and charges of money borrowed upon some of his Majesty's jewels, pawned in the Low Countries. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 27. The like to the same; 100*l.* for one year's rent for a house for Mons. Le Sueur, and to continue the same annually. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 27. Newmarket. 28. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare a grant of the office of porter, attending the Lord President and Council of Wales, to John Howston, after the death of Arthur Howston.

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Jan. 27. Dover. 29. Capt. John Mennes to Nicholas. Yesterday gave chase to a vessel which had been taken by Capt. Regnalls [Regnold], of Weymouth, and was afterwards taken from him by a Dutch man of war, who agreed with him to divide the prize, and was about to take her into Flushing. He had put her into Dover until further order.

Jan. 27. Wadham College, Oxford. 30. Dr. William Smith, Vice-chancellor of Oxford, to the Lords and others, electors of the Professor of Geometry at Oxford. Mr. Henry Briggs died on the 26th inst. The writer has directed a copy of the regulations for the election of his successor to be transmitted to them, that they may duly proceed to a new election. Lat.

Jan. 27. 31. Attested copy of the Statutes of Sir Henry Savile, concerning the election of the Professor of Geometry and Astronomy, of his foundation in the University of Oxford. Lat.

Jan. 27. 32. Observations in the handwriting of Sec. Coke, on the patent of Consul-General in Portugal, formerly obtained by the Earl of Bristol for Mr. Stone. The conclusion is, that the patent is not convenient, nor agreeable to the merchants.

Jan. 27. Westminster. 33. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. In his way to the relief of Magdeburg, the King of Sweden has taken Grippenhagen and Gartz upon the Oder. He is now not far from Tilly, with whom he is resolved to try the fortune of a day. In France they are all in pieces again, the King being gone from Paris, and having forbidden his mother to come to Council. Plague in Venice and Florence. The Pope has sent Julio Mazzarini to the French King for an accommodation of the differences of Italy. Gabriel Epsley [Hippisley?] is come out of Spain, and gone to Court. Our ambassador cannot be long before he is here. The writer, his sister, and his brother Grymesdych, condole with Windebank on the loss of his sister Reade. The President of the North has promised Grymesdych his assistance about the wardrobe business. The King's return will not be till the end of next month.

Jan. 28. Westminster. 34. Warrant to pay to Philip Burlamachi 19,000*l.* to be made over to Philip Calandrini, to be paid to Schoon Hoven van Hoven, Denis Bailly, and Peter Latfeur, for redemption of the King's jewels remaining in their hands. [*Copy.*]

Jan. 28. 35. Petition of Henry Mansell, Rowland Vaughan, Morgan Vaughan, Rowland Pewe, Henry Watkins, and Thomas Lloyd, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Petitioners have been long in custody, and your Honours having had a hearing of their cause, they are now put to stand to their trial in the Admiralty Court. Pray that on good security two of the sufficientest of the petitioners shall here attend, and stand to the sentence of the cause, that the other four may have liberty to go home.

Jan. 28. 36. Consent to refer the cause of William Bladwell *versus* John Rychers and Renry Rychers, to the arbitration of John Potts, Robert Houghton, John Duke, and William Hill. [*Copy.*]

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Jan. 29. Hertford. 37. Justices of Peace of co. Hertford to the Council. Report their execution of the orders respecting the supply and price of corn. They greatly fear that, unless corn come in out of foreign countries, to furnish the City of London, there will not be sufficient corn in that county to support the people. The chandlers who buy up corn in their markets, shew testimonials from the Lord Mayor that they are purveyors for the City.

Jan. 29. 38. Petition of Edward Faulkener, Clerk of the Check at Deptford, to the Lords of the Admiralty. The late King, in his ninth year, gave to petitioner his office, and he and those that previously held the same performed certain duties in connexion therewith, until John Wells, late clerk under Sir Robert Mansell, late Treasurer of the Navy, obtained a grant for keeping the out stores, by force of which petitioner is interrupted in his office, in certain specified particulars. Prays them to settle the rights of both their places. *Underwritten,*

38. I. *Reference to Mr. Wells to certify why petitioner should not enjoy the particulars he claims. Whitehall,* 1631, *Jan.* 30.

Jan. 29. 39. Mons. de Sancé to William Boswell. There is due to De Sancé 100*l.* Begs that the Attorney General would speak to the Lord Treasurer and Mr. Laicq [Lake ?], to procure him the amount, so that he might pay certain debts, and also that he might resign his pension to the King on payment of a sum by way of compensation. Fr.

Jan. 29. 40. Certificate of Sir Edmund Sawyer, Auditor of the Exchequer, that five years arrears of rent of 22*l.* 10*s.* were due from Edmund Peacock for the King's Bench in Southwark, with the house called the Crane there, and a garden and a piece of arable land. Conceives the arrear to be within Lady Saltoun's grant.

Jan. 30. Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 41. Mayor and others of Newcastle-upon-Tyne to the Council. One of his Majesty's servants, John Le Neve, has been there with a patent directing the execution of the Statute of 33 Henry VIII., for shooting with the long bow. The Statute has long slept, and is very penal; since the use of muskets, the use of bows and arrows is quite gone out; the town and country are utterly destitute of bowyers and fletchers, and bow-staves and all other necessaries, and are charged with muskets, pikes, corslets, and other arms. They desire that, if this patent is to be put in execution, time may be given to provide necessaries, and that the Council would send them bowyers and fletchers from London, and take course to provide them with bow-staves.

Jan. 30. Southwell. 42. Archbishop Harsnet, of York, to Sec. Dorchester. Now the cloud of his drowsiness is a little lightened, he is able to call to mind the Sec.'s private letters, for which he returns thanks in very emphatic manner. Describes himself as old in years, worn with infirmities, far distant from the sun, without preceding merits, and unable, within the little circle of his time, to express due thankfulness. Begs him to remember the honestest man in the world, Dr. Hassall.

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Jan. 30. Fifield. 43. Henry Cusse to his cousin Edward Nicholas. Suggests to him certain purchases of land, especially Mr. Martin's land, which is worth 140*l.* per annum at the least, with a sufficient house to spend 1,000*l.*

Jan. 31. Grant to John Walker, transferring to the Exchequer the payment of his fee of 12*d.* per diem for keeping the house built at St. James's for pheasants, with allowances for their meat, and certain arrears, amounting to 177*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. Grant to Dr. Wemys, one of his Majesty's chaplains, of a prebend in Westminster, void by the decease of Dr. Holt. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. Warrant to pay to Sir Thomas Edmondes, Treasurer of the Household, 77*l.*, disbursed by him in his late embassage in France for a carpet bought for his Majesty. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. Grant to Thomas Glover, M.A., of the rectory of Westkirkbye, *alias* Westkirby, *alias* Kirkbye, co. Chester, void by simony, a former grant thereof being defective. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. 44. Nicholas's notes of answers to various petitions to the Lords of the Admiralty, directed to be given by Sec. Coke. Among the petitioners mentioned are William Lawrence, James Allen, Capt. Parker, and others named Curwen, Coopers, Buxton, and Wriothesley.

Jan. 31. Howlett. 45. Sir Henry Palmer to Nicholas. His business depending still upon uncertainties, and Halse giving his attendance thereon, he desires that he may have Nicholas's aid. Sir Henry is wearied with soliciting.

[Jan. 31. ?] 46. Relation of three soldiers of Harwich, commanded to stay in town by the Lord Treasurer. They had made various applications to the Lord Treasurer, personally and through Capt. Gosnall, for payment of their arrears. After long delay, Gosnall received money on their behalf, but did not inform the soldiers thereof. On the contrary, he stated to them various alleged promises and excuses of the Lord Treasurer, which were untrue.

[Jan. 31. ?] 47. Information that [Hugh Branham], Mayor of Harwich, with Richard Hankin and John Osborne, having been sent for by warrant from the Council, they refused to enter their appearances with the Clerk of the Council, saying that they were no offenders, and had rather spend 10*l.* a man than pay a penny to the Clerk of the Council or the Messenger, being so unjustly troubled; and that, if the Messenger kept them in custody, they would complain to the Council against him and the clerk.

Jan. 31. Aboard the Nathaniel. 48. Prestwick Eaton to George Wellingham. Is detained in the Downs, having been put back by extreme foul weather.

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Jan. 31. 49. Justices of Peace for co. Somerset to the Sheriff of that county. Return of the quantity of corn in the hundreds of Portbury, Bedminster, and Hartcliffe, and the regulations made for supply of the markets.

[Jan. 31 ?] 50. Other Justices of Peace for the same county to the same. Similar return for the town of Bridgewater, and the hundreds in that division of the county. In regard of the populousness of their country, corn holds a very dear rate, wheat being at 8*s.* per bushel.

[Jan. ?] 51. Demurrer to the sufficiency of the defendant's plea in a cause of Sir John Lambe *versus* Thomas West.

[Jan. ?] 52. Petition of Simon Hathaway and James Henshaw, of Chipping Norton. Having been examined by the Attorney General, they pray directions to him to certify, that they may thereupon be discharged.

[Jan. ?] 53. Petition of Capt. Robert Smith to the Council of War. Having been denied the relief which has been afforded to divers others, he prays that he may be recommended to his Majesty's bounty. *Annexed,*

53. I. *Copies of certificates of the Earls of Essex and Newport as to the services of the petitioner in the expeditions to Cadiz, Rhé, and Rochelle.*

[Jan. ?] 54. List of the chief officers of Sir Edward Parham's regiment.

[Jan. ?] 55. Ralph Goodwin to Endymion Porter. The loss which he has by "my Lord's death" [Lord President Conway, died the 3rd inst.] is more than the loss of a father. Prays to be recommended to the next Lord President.

[Jan. ?] 56. Explanation by John Archer of his opinions respecting bowing at the name of Jesus. Although he blamed the Church of Rome's superstition in that respect, he affirmed that all reverence was to be given to the Lord Jesus. [*Indorsed by Bishop Laud.*]

[Jan. ?] 57. Note, indorsed by Sec. Dorchester, of sheets and pillow-beres to be sent into Holland.

[Jan. ?] 58. Depositions of various witnesses taken at Salisbury, respecting the destruction of a painted window in the Church of St. Edmund, in that city.

[Jan. ?] 59. Brief on behalf of the King against the ship the St. Michael, and her lading, and Michael de Haze claiming the same. After the ship had been taken possession of by Thomas and Henry Mansell, the latter examined the Captain as to his papers. He denied that he had any, save some of little importance which had been given up. Bartholomew Bullinger, a passenger, advised a search under the capstan, which was accordingly taken up, and "searching the sole thereof, they [discovered] therein a hollowness, wherein they found a white latten box with divers writings;" which being shewn to the Captain, he was very pensive and wept, and exclaimed against his company for discovering the same. He said, he had only one butt of sack aboard, which if they would give him, they might take the ship and the rest of the goods, all being lost and forfeited.

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1631. [Jan. ?] 60. Order of the Lords Commissioners under the Commission of the 5th Jan. for inquiring into the execution of the laws for relief of the poor, whereby the whole kingdom was partitioned out among the Commissioners, to the end that the Justices of the Peace should give an account monthly to the Sheriffs, and the Sheriffs send up those accounts to the Judges of the several circuits, who were every term to give them to the Lords Commissioners. [*Copy.*]

[Jan. ?] 61. Another copy of the same.

[Jan. ?] 62. Petition of Capt Richard Ouseley to the Council and Council of War. Complains of Burlamachi, that having received 5,835*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.* for payment of the amounts due to the troops under Count Mansfeldt, petitioner, to whom 130*l.* was due, as appears by the certificate of Dalbier, the paymaster, had been passed over. Prays that Burlamachi should be called upon to shew how he has disposed of the sum above mentioned.

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Feb. 1. 1. Notes taken by Sec. Coke, upon conference with Mr. Dickenson concerning the management of the Royal Stables. Great overcharges and frauds committed by the officers, especially in buying remnants, and old stock at brokers, and selling them to the King at excessive rates. The two Riplinghams had thus got great estates. One of them gave 3,500*l.* to Sir Henry Appleton, of Essex, with his daughter. 11,000*l.* remains in arrear in King James's time to Bingham, the then squire-sadler since deceased, whereof the greatest part was got by buying things "up and down" and selling them to the King, as also a great estate which he left, being [at first] but a poor sadler.

Feb. 1. Dartmouth. 2. Mayor and another of Dartmouth to Henry Ashford, Sheriff of Devon. There has not been any want of corn in their market, but during December the price of wheat was 8*s.* 6*d.*, the beginning of January it was 9*s.*, and last week 9*s.* 6*d.* Measures taken to reduce the prices.

[Feb. 1 ?] 3. Justices of Peace of Devon to the Sheriff of the same. Certify the prices of corn at Kingsbridge and Dodbrook, the market towns of the hundreds of Stanborough and Coleridge in Devon; wheat, about 13 gallons, 8*s.*

Feb. 2. 4. John Evelyn to [Sec. Coke ?] Notwithstanding the commands given to the East India Company, Collins their workman proceeds in the making of gunpowder, having repaired two of their mills wherewith he makes 30 barrels of powder weekly. His Majesty's deputies will not be able to continue that employment if this course be permitted.

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Feb. 3. 5. Petition of Sir William Russell, Bart., to the King. Sir Thomas Read of Dunscew, co. Oxon, petitioner's wife's father, was decreed by the Court of Chancery two years ago to pay 500*l.*, part of petitioner's wife's portion. Sir Thomas has contemptuously disobeyed the order and laid in the Fleet, although a person, both for lands and goods, of great ability. For which contempt the Court of Chancery has imposed upon him several fines amounting to 1,000*l.* Petitioner cannot charge Sir Thomas's lands with payment of the 500*l.*, but he prays for a grant of the 1,000*l.*, which he may get estreated and levied in the King's name. *Underwritten,*

5. I. *Reference to the Lord Keeper to certify what has been done in like cases or what his Majesty may conveniently do. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 3. *Annexed,*

5. II. *Report of the Lord Keeper in favour of the adoption of the course prayed, with reservation of a power to the Court of Chancery to do what is right in case of Sir Thomas's conformity.* 1631, *Feb.* 11.

5. III. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a grant accordingly. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 17.

Feb. 3. 6. Petition of Thomas Grent, Doctor in physic, to the same. Petitioner has invented: 1. An instrument for more speedy passage of calmed ships upon the sea, to be called the Wind's Mate. 2. The Fish Call, or a Looking Glass for fishes, for fishermen to call fishes to their nets. 3. A Water Bow for preservation of houses and ships from fire. 4. A Building Mould or Stone Press by which stone windows are made without hewing. 5. A Moveable Hydraulic, like a cabinet, which causes sweet sleep to patients in fevers. And 6. The Corrected Crane, by which any liquor may be transfused from one vessel to another without sucking or forcing. Prays letters patent for sole making for 14 years. *Underwritten,*

6. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 3.

Feb. 3. 7. Justices of Peace for co. Leicester to the Council. Report that Mr. John St. John has inclosed all the Lordship of Cold Overton, containing above 1,400 acres besides the ancient inclosure, so that where there used to be 17 or 18 ploughs, now not 20 acres are ploughed.

Feb. 3. 8. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. The opinion of the masters, attendants, and others, is that the Henrietta and the Maria should not be sold, but that one of them should remain at Portsmouth for defence of the harbour, and the other be employed at Chatham for defence of the Medway, being of better countenance and force than the Fortune pink; that pink to be employed for transport of provisions between Deptford and Chatham.

Feb. 3. London. 9. Peter Du Moulin to Sec. Dorchester. Understands that the King leans unto a bad opinion of the writer, some one having

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represented him to be a lewd and debauched fellow. Vindicates himself from the charge, and refers to Lord Strange, whose chaplain he has been these three years, and the Bishop of Exeter, who knew his life before. His enemies have represented him as consuming an ecclesiastical benefice in idleness. Discharged the duties of his calling at Lord Strange's, and daily follows his studies. Disfavour of his father in France for his devotion to the service of King James, which is known to Lord Carlisle. Usufruct of the writer's benefice is 80*l.* per annum. If thought worthy of his Majesty's good opinion would be more earnest for employment than recompence.

Feb. 3. Rochester. 10. Thomas Austen to Nicholas. Intreats supply of his gunner's stores, and a warrant from the Lords for his employment in the Fortune, pink.

Feb. 3. Westminster. 11. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. The day before Mr. Montagu left Paris, the King's brother went to the Cardinal's lodging, and upbraided him with having broken his word with him. From thence he went directly to Orleans. The King came that night to the Cardinal from St. Germain's, and told him that he heard he had a quarrel, and therefore came to be his second. The King of Sweden is gone not to Magdeburg but to Frankfort, in the Marquisate of Brandenburg, a strong place held by the Imperialists.

Feb. 3. 12. Note of plate belonging to the late Lord President Conway pawned to Mr. Vyner. Ten articles weighed 2,002¼ oz., besides two silver dishes, which weighed 79 oz.

[Feb. 4?] 13. Sir William Slingsby and Peter Heywood to the Council. Delivered to Robert Jarman, Vintner, dwelling in the new Palace at Westminster, a copy of the order of 19 January. (*See Vol.* clxxxii., *No.* 72.) Since the expiration of the 14 days he continues to carry on his trade in the same place.

Feb. 4. Ragley. 14. Thomas Egiock to Sir Giles Bray or Edward Reed at Lady Conway's house in St. Martin's Lane. The blacks shall be delivered according to their directions. Lady Huncks is willing that the lower room of her house shall be made fit to receive the corpse. Mr. Case will make choice of the fittest place for the grave. Cannot on the sudden determine who were fittest to be invited to meet the corpse at Honeyborn, except Mr. Greville, Mr. John Savage, and Sir Robert Lee.

Feb. 4. 15. [An intercepted?] letter from some Roman Catholic, signed "B. and B." to some person who was an agent for the transmission of money. It relates to money affairs, and to the dispute with the Bishop of Chalcedon[?]. He gives reasons for not pressing the matter to a decision, although anticipating one in favour of the regulars against the Bishop.

Feb. 5. Launceston. 16. Sir John Trelawney, Sheriff of Cornwall, to the Council. Has not yet received any certificate from the Justices of the Peace re-

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specting the supply and price of corn; but they have taken care to see the markets well furnished. The county is well stored with corn, but the price is high, which proceeds from a report of scarcity in other parts of the kingdom. Wheat is at 9*d.* per gallon.

Feb. 5. 17. Attorney General Heath to the Council. Has taken examinations of Simon Hathaway and James Henshaw, both of Chipping Norton. Conceives that neither of them has done anything touching the ingrossing of corn, which deserves punishment. *Incloses,*

17. I. *Separate examinations of Simon Hathaway and James Henshaw, which state the general course of their dealings and negative all ingrossing or selling corn out of the market, except in one case some small quantities of flour, and in another some malt and barley bread for the poor.* 1630, *Dec.* 22.

Feb. 5. 18. Petition of George Hardwire, John Seaman, and others, owners of the Diligence, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Their ship having caught fire in the harbour of Portsmouth, for avoiding danger to the King's ships they made means for sinking her. Pray the loan of such of his Majesty's provisions as are now at Yarmouth for weighing her.

Feb. 5. 19. Petition of William Bardwell, Marshal under the Vice-Admiral of Suffolk, to the same. Under their warrants petitioner seized and sold certain masts cast ashore from a ship wrecked on the coast of Suffolk. Sir William Withypoll has commenced two suits against petitioner in the King's Bench, one in his own name, and the other in that of Andreas Clench, for false imprisonment, because petitioner arrested them for opposing him in executing his warrants. Prays that Sir William may be enforced to withdraw his said suits. *Underwritten,*

19. I. *Intended reference, in the handwriting of Nicholas, to the Judges of the King's Bench, to acquaint the Lords with the state of the cause, and in the mean time to stay proceedings. Unsigned.*

Feb. 5. 20, 21. Two copies of the preceding.

Feb. 5. 22. Lieut. Hannibal Bonithon to the same. Statement of certain chief points touching the difference between the Castles of St. Mawes and Pendennis. The history of the former castle is minutely stated, with the use and importance of the power challenged by its captain. Lieut. Bonithon prays for its confirmation.

Feb. 5. Linlithgow. 23. Marie Montgomerie to Sec. Dorchester. Sends him three little barrels of Scots accouytie [*aqua vitæ?*]. Her husband regretted that he saw not the Sec. as he came out of France, but neither the King nor he was in London.

Feb. 5. 24. Petition of Benjamin Ruggeley to Henry, Earl of Manchester, Lord Privy Seal. About a year and a half last past petitioner,

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with consent of Mary, his mother, now the wife of Edward Littleton, married Anne, one of the sisters of William Cumberford, his Majesty's ward, her portion being 800*l.*, left in the hands of Richard Chamberlayne, committee of the ward. He refusing to pay until Mary Littleton had made a competent jointure on petitioner's wife, Edward and Mary covenanted to levy a fine of the manor of Hawkesyard, co. Stafford. Before the fine could be sued forth, Simon Ruggeley, petitioner's eldest brother, upon untrue suggestions, procured an Order of Council for staying the same. Prays that the fine may pass, petitioner's mother being near 80 years old.

Feb. 5. 25. Reasons on behalf of Sir Thomas Aylesbury, Master of Requests and Surveyor of the Navy, for his precedence before Sir William Russell, Treasurer, and Sir Guilford Slingsby, Comptroller of the Navy. The claim of Sir Thomas Aylesbury was founded on a clause in the patent for creation of baronets, stipulating that they should have priority among themselves according to seniority of creation.

Feb. 5. 26. Copy of the preceding.

Feb. 6. Leicester. 27. John Bainbrigg, Sheriff of co. Leicester, to the Council. Sends certificates of inclosures within that county. [*Probably those of Jan.* 24, *Vol.* clxxxiii., *No.* 17, *and* 26 *Jan., Ibid., Nos.* 24, 25.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. 28. Minute of a grant made 22 Dec. 1625, to Sir James Fullerton, of the Stewardship of the Manor and Hundred of Mere, co. Wilts, and of the Forest and Manor of Gillingham, co. Dorset. *Underwritten,*

28. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a similar grant to Lord Bruce. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 6.

Feb. 7. Westminster. 29. The King [to Attorney General Heath]. At the nomination of Sir Allen Apsley the King granted to Peter Leonard [Lennarth], Thomas Austen, and John Dulyn, all his lands in the Forest of Galtres, co. York, upon certain terms, with a view to the disafforestation of the same. Proceedings have been taken with that end, but the assurances cannot be perfected without the King's special warrant. The Attorney General is to draw such instruments as shall be necessary.

Feb. 7. Colchester. 30. Bailiffs of Colchester to the Council. The farmers are very negligent in supplying corn to that market, so that the poor people are almost ready to famish and to commit outrages for want of corn. Pray that John Convers and Lancelot Baker, who have forborne to serve the market, may be sent for by warrant.

Feb. 7. 31. Sir William Slingsby and others, Commissioners appointed to treat with the creditors of Sir John Wake, to the same. Report their proceedings and recommend the renewal of his protection.

Feb. 8. 32. Sir Robert Ducie, Lord Mayor of London, to the same. 1. For the River Thames, as much has been done as the season of the year and the high swelling of the waters will permit. 2. The

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sickness has wholly ceased within the walls of the city; the infection which remains is for the most part in Middlesex. 3. Eating flesh on fish days and eves appointed to be fasted is (by the exemplary punishment of some offenders) well amended.

Feb. 8. 33. Petition of Thomas Hilliard, one of the Deputies for saltpetre, to the Lords of the Admiralty. He has many years laboured by his person and estate to increase the supply of saltpetre. Having been complained against, he has been appointed to purge himself in the Star Chamber. Prays that he may be continued in his employment until censure be passed against him in the said Court.

Feb. 8. 34. Petition of John Carter and Nicholas Collins to the same. Having been sent for, for arresting William Dawes, boatswain of the yard at Deptford, they express contrition and pray order for discharge.

Feb. 8. 35. Nicholas's notes of business to be transacted by the Lords of the Admiralty. Among them the following:—Sir William Withypoll; warrant to the Captain of the Garland to discharge 40 of her "cupplement;" petition of two men that arrested Dawes, *ans.* to be discharged; Barker the messenger's petition that Mr. Mansell may pay his fees before he is discharged, *ans. concess.* Capt. Hooke arrested and in Wood Street Compter, by three serjeants, at the suit of Mark Quested, who promised to bear the serjeants out. Capt. Mennes desires to have the Niver.

Feb. 8. 36. Capt. Francis Hooke to Nicholas. Explains the state of his affairs, and prays Nicholas to deliver a letter he has written to the Lord Treasurer or Sec. Dorchester, and also to procure his enlargement.

[Feb. ? ?] 37. Petition of William Hide, the younger, Gentleman of the Arms to General Morgan's own company, to the Earl of Danby, Viscounts Wimbledon and Falkland, and Sec. Coke, being a Committee of the Council of War, appointed to consider the cases of poor soldiers. Claims 30*l.* for pay as gentleman of the arms for ten months, after the rate of 3*l.* per month. Prays the money may be stayed in Calandrini's hands, and that he may be satisfied at the next payment.

[Feb. 8 ?] 38. The like of Bryan Stapleton, late Lieut. to Capt. James Wroughton and Ensign to Capt. Ashburnham, to the same. Claims 34*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Prays payment.

[Feb. 8 ?] 39. Petition of Jacob Peadle, administrator of his brother, Abraham Peadle, to the Committee of the Council of War for poor Soldiers. Abraham Peadle was drum-major to General Morgan's company for 13½ months at seven rix dollars per month. There is due the sum mentioned in the annexed account. Prays order for receipt. *Annexed,*

39. I. *Account above mentioned, which shows* 14*l.* 10*s. to be due.*

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[Feb. 8 ?] 40. Petition of Henry Wright, serjeant to General Morgan, to the Committee of the Council of War for poor soldiers. Claims 30*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, on demanding which the General threatened to hang petitioner. Prays present satisfaction, being like to perish with want. *Annexed,*

40. I. *Account which shows how the sum claimed is made out.*

[Feb. 8 ?] 41. The like of Henry Hill, clerk to Capt. James Wroughton, to the same. Claims a month's means due to him for his transport monies. Prays satisfaction.

[Feb. 8 ?] 42. The like of Thomas Slough, suttler to Capt. Essex, to the same. Claims 159 rix dollars laid out for provisions, and 20*l.* compensation for his wagon, horses, pewter, linen, and other things, made booty of by his captain. Prays satisfaction.

[Feb. 8 ?] 43. The like of William Thornton to the same. Claims 11*l.* 5*s.* pay as gentleman of the arms to General Morgan's company for 7½ months. Being in extreme want, prays order for his relief.

[Feb. 8 ?] 44. The like of Lieut. John Disney to the Council of War. Being Lieut. to Sir Mountague Bertie, Captain of a company under General Morgan, at his first going into Denmark, in his Captain's absence, petitioner paid all the company's off-reckonings and the guest-houses' bills, for three years. For the space of 2½ months there is no allowance as yet made, although other Captains, whether absent or present, have had their allowance for that same time. Prays that he may receive the same.

Feb. 9. London. 45. Sir Robert Ducie, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. Reports the result of an examination of cloths taken out of the last market holden in Blackwell Hall. Of 39 cloths of different kinds eight only had their due length and breadth; the deficiencies of the remainder are stated from actual measurement.

Feb. 9. 46. Petition of Hugh Branham, Mayor, and Richard Hankin and John Osborne, inhabitants, of Harwich, to the same. Having been sent for by warrant they omitted to enter their appearance, whereupon they were committed to the Marshalsea, where they had lain ten days. They acknowledge the justice of their punishment, and pray enlargement, especially as Branham is much wanted at Harwich, where the poor are ready to famish.

Feb. 9. 47. Petition of Thomas Thropp, one of the Sheriffs of the city of Chester, to the same. Has been sent for on the complaint of Francis Knowles one of the farmer's deputies at the port of Chester, and has remained in the messenger's custody for ten days. Has given no just cause of offence. Prays that he may be heard, and may be discharged from the messenger.

Feb. 9. 48. Petition of Thomas Stanley to the same. Petitioner dwells at West Peckham in Kent, where he has no provision of corn but oats. But he has a farm at Northstoke, in Sussex, where he has so

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good a quantity of corn that he can serve the markets there, and yet spare for supply of Kent and London. Prays licence to bring certain specified quantities by sea to London.

Feb. 9. Whitehall. 49. Lords of the Admiralty to Capt. John Mennes. He is to repair to the Downs with the Garland by the 20th inst., to take on board Don Carlos de Coloma, Ambassador Extraordinary from Spain, and to transport him to Dunkirk.

Feb. 9. The Downs. 50. Capt. John Mennes to the Lords of the Admiralty. Reports his cruise in the English Channel after pirates. On Monday next has but 14 days victuals. Would their Lordships would let him have the Niver. Met Lord Denbigh on Wednesday last. He had "a great scape" in the storm on Friday before.

Feb. 9. Cecil House. 51. Minutes of the proceedings of a Committee of the Council of War held this day. Fifteen petitions of Denmark soldiers, referred to Sir John Burlacy [Borlase], colonel, Julian Calandrini, paymaster, and Mr. Beare, muster-master. Josias Timcock, John Short, and David Williams ordered to be paid by Calandrini. Complaint by Lieut. Skipwith referred for answer to Burlamachi and Calandrini. Twenty nobles to be allowed to Elizabeth Burrowes, widow of a trumpeter. [*By another minute dated the* 12*th inst. another petition was added to those referred to Sir John Borlase and others.*]

Feb. 9. List of petitions referred to Sir John Borlase and others. [*See Vol.* clxxxii., *No.* 84.]

Feb. 9. 52. Order of Committee of Council of War for referring certain other petitions to Sir John Burlacy [Borlase].

Feb. 9. 53. Order of the same Committee, referring certain charges of Lieut. Skipwith to Burlamachi and Calandrini.

Feb. 10. 54. Sir Henry Mervyn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Recommends William Sparkes for cook in the St. Esprit.

Feb. 10. 55. Referees to examine the accounts of Sir Allen Apsley to Lord Treasurer Weston. Certain creditors of Sir Allen for very great sums having presented to the referees a paper which contains an offer whereof good use may be made for his Majesty, they present the same to the Lord Treasurer, that he may receive further information from those who are not willing to discover the mystery of the business to the referees. Suggest that a commission should be issued out of the Exchequer to discover what has been made by the sale of the forest of Galtres, and other lands granted to Sir Allen. [*Draft, in the handwriting of Nicholas.*]

[Feb. 10?] 56. Mr. Alcock's certificate of monies imprested to Sir Allen Apsley, towards victualling the Navy. Total, 303,292*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*

Feb. 10. 57. Dr. Richard Steward to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for his endeavour to have placed the writer in the Lent service at Court. If what the Lord Chamberlain has done had troubled him, the

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happy news of the Sec.'s recovery would have soon made him forget a more unwelcome accident. Hopes to be kept alive in his Majesty's thoughts by the Sec.

Feb. 10. Westminster. 58. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. Signor Amerigo says that peace is concluded in Italy, that the Duke of Mantua shall be restored, and all things settled as before the war. Here are letters from Antwerp that Tilly is defeated by the King of Sweden, but this is uncertain. The going out of Monsieur in France it is thought will prove but a *boutade*. He will not be able to hurt the Cardinal unless the King abandon him. Thanks for a proposal of Windebank's that Woodward and his wife should live with Lady Beauchamp and attend to the government of her house, "with the "large offer of 100*l.* a year." Hopes it will be no prejudice to his place at Court, where the Lord Chamberlain is so in love with Sir John Finet that never, but in case of necessity, will he give leave for the writer to be employed.

Feb. 10. 59. Inventory of prize goods taken for tenths at Dover by Anthony Percival, collector. It runs from Sept. 1630 to 4 Jan. 1631.

Feb. 10. Tavistock. 60. Justices of Peace for Devon to the Sheriff of the same county. Since their last report the price of corn has varied but little in the hundreds of Plympton, Ermington, Roborough, Tavistock, and Liston. The markets are indifferently well served.

Feb. 10. 61. Justices of Peace for co. Flint to Piers Conway, Sheriff of the same. No scarcity of corn in that county. But one market in the same, viz., Caerwis, which is very sufficiently supplied. Wheat 5*s.* per bushel; rye 4*s.*; barley 3*s.* 6*d.*; beans or peas 3*s.*; oats 2*s.* 6*d.*

Feb. 10. 62. Warrant of Sir John Bingley for attaching in the hands of Mr. Calandrini, paymaster of the army beyond seas, 10*l.* due to Sir John by Capt. Henry Skipwith. [*Mem. underwritten that the amount was attached on the* 11*th inst.*]

Feb. 10 [?] 63. Sir John Bingley and Philip Burlamachi to the Council of War. Report the settlement of the differences between Sir John Ratcliffe's executor and Lieut. Henry Skipwith; 50*l.* ordered to be paid to the former and 81*l.* 18*s.* to the latter for himself, the officers, and company, but Calandrini cannot pay the amounts without the order of the Council of War.

Feb. 11. 64. Petition of Henry Holt, Deputy Victualler at Portsmouth, to the Council. By order of 15 Dec. last the Council directed that all persons should forbear to arrest petitioner until course were taken for payment of Sir Allen Apsley's debts. Yet Small, attorney to Robert Lee, and Peter Guard his servant, have arrested and violently prosecute petitioner in contempt of such order. Pray the Lords to take notice of the same. *Annexed,*

64. I. *Several affidavits of Henry Holt and William Davyle that Small and Guard had notice of the Order of Council of* 15 *Dec.* 1631, *Feb.* 11.

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Feb. 11. Nicholas to Mark Quested. Capt. Hooke has complained of his arresting him. The Lords take his presumption very ill, and have given order to do as much for him. As a friend advises him to withdraw his action, and pay the charge of the Captain's imprisonment. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 87.]

Feb. 11. London. 65. Christopher Potticary to Nicholas. Sends a certificate out of the Exchequer what he is in the subsidy book, hoping their Honours will use him well, for that, in a bad time, he continued his trade of a clothier, and kept most part of a thousand people on work, when most men gave over; so also he does at this present, when without the aid of Alderman Fen and Mr. Perry, he should have been at a stand. Did not compound in the country, hoping relief from the Council.

Feb. 12. Bold. 66. Richard Bold, Sheriff of co. Lancaster, to the Council. Received their letter of 11 Nov. concerning the prevention of dearth of corn from Thomas Hesketh, late Sheriff, and published the proclamation and Book of Orders at the last Quarter Sessions. After the Assizes will give an account of the proceedings of the Justices and state of the county.

Feb. 12. 67. Petition of Hugh Branham, Mayor, and Richard Hankin and John Osborne, inhabitants, of Harwich, to the same. Petition similar to that of the 9th inst. (*see No.* 46), but after 15 days imprisonment. [*They were ordered to be discharged this day. Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 343.]

Feb. 12. 68. Petition of Thomas Mansell to the Lords of the Admiralty. About 14 days since the Lords required petitioner to send for Bartholomew Bullinger, a Dutchman, who was in custody in petitioner's house in Swansea. He came up on Thursday last, and on Saturday escaped from his keeper. Prays warrant to apprehend him.

Feb. 12. 69. Petition of Nicholas Cox to the same. Was master cook in the Fifth Whelp during her last employment. Prays to be admitted master cook in the said pinnace. *Annexed,*

69. I. *Certificate of Sir Thomas Button in favour of the above petitioner.* 1631, *Jan.* 8.

69. II. *The like of Kenrick Edisbury that Cox had been paid as cook of the Fifth Whelp and no objection made against him.* 1631, *Jan.* 6.

Feb. 12. 70. Petition of John Potter, late cook of the Seventh Whelp, to the same. Petitioner served in the Seven Stars, and when the Seventh Whelp was blown up lost all he had, and escaped with great peril of his life, being taken up swimming in the sea. Prays to be admitted cook of the Third Whelp.

Feb. 12. 71. Petition of the principal Masters of the Navy to the same. They formerly had an allowance of 61*l.* 2*s.* per annum, for which

they attended one quarter of the year at Chatham, and were never tied to any further service. By a late estimate their pay is reduced to 40*l.* 6*s.*, which they made known, and it has been twice in question before the Lords, and various suggestions have been made for increasing the amount by joining to it other service. Shew the inconvenience of these suggestions, and pray the Lords to take them into consideration.

Feb. 12. Cecil House. 72. Minutes of a Meeting of the Committee of the Council of War. The Committee dealt with the petitions of Capt. John Powell, Lieut. Colonel Hone, Capt. Henry Ashley, Lieut. Matthew Mainwaring, Michael Shipman, Provost Marshal Brooke, Richard Penny, Provost Marshal, Capt. Nathaniel Taylor, late Lieut. of the ordnance in the expedition to Cadiz, Lieut. Stephen Hussey, Elizabeth Eden, and many others, which are principally referred to Capt. Mason. [*Underwritten is a receipt of Henry Skipwith, dated* 16 *inst., for an attachment of the* 10*l. due to him from Julian Calandrini, laid upon the same by Sir John Bingley.*]

Feb. 12. 73. Petition of John Paul, corporal to Capt. Pawlett, in the regiment of Sir James Levingston, to the Committee of the Council of War. Claims 14 months means for the time he served, having received only 7*l.* Being a poor lame creature, under cure in Christ's Church Hospital, he prays present payment. *Underwritten,*

73. I. *Reference to Sir John Burlacy* [*Borlase*] *with the other petitions. Cecil House,* 1631, *Feb.* 12.

Feb. 12. Cecil House. 74. Reference by the Committee of the Council of War, of a petition, probably that of Capt. John Powell to Capt. Mason, to take care that the petitioner should have a proportionable satisfaction with other creditors.

Feb. 12. 75. Affidavit of Francis Southwell, serjeant, and Thomas Miller, corporal, in support of a claim of Henry Skipwith, for supplies furnished by him to certain men of Sir Charles Morgan's regiment, which claim was disallowed by Julian Calandrini.

Feb. 12. 76. Alderman Richard Fen and Hugh Perry to Nicholas. Christopher Potticary, of co. Wilts, clothier, who maintains 1,000 poor weavers and spinners, is now called up to London for composition of knighthood for a matter of 16*l.*, which to him at this time is a great matter. Confirm the statements in his letter of the 11th inst., *No.* 65, and beg Nicholas to move the Lord Treasurer that Potticary may be excused.

Feb. 12. 77. Commissioners for administration of the late Duke of Buckingham's estate to the same. Sir Henry Hungate claims 500*l.* as a debt for money borrowed by the late Duke, and received by Nicholas's hand, with the knowledge of Mr. John Ashburnham Beg that he and Mr. Ashburnham will certify what they know about this money.

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Feb. 12. London. 78. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Nicholas. Is intreated to recommend these poor men's cases, and to certify that, if the Lords take no course, the Admiralty jurisdiction will be lost. His water bailiff, for levying fines set by a jury, has been arrested, and the Sheriff's bailiff violently took a boat away from him which he had arrested for stealing oysters in July.

Feb. 12/22. Florence. 79. William Viscount Grandison to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for his honourable remembrance of the writer to his Majesty since Lord Grandison's death. Begs a continuance of his favours.

Feb. 12. Hinton. 80. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. When his Majesty sent into the Low Countries for officers to discipline the trained bands, there came from Holland, Edward May and Simon Hayman, who took great pains for two or three years, until upon the end of the Parliament their pay was denied them. Then, by the writer's means, they had lieutenants' places given them, in the troops sent to relieve Rochelle, since which they have retreated to the house of the writer, who has given them meat and drink and some monies. Recommends them for lieutenants' places in the soldiers to be sent to the King of Sweden.

Feb. 12. 81. Sir William Brooke, of Cooling Park, co. Kent, K.B., John Orwell, and William Mudge, to Jeffrey Kerby, one of the executors of Paul, late Viscount Bayning. Release of all errors in a judgment recovered by Kerby against the releasors. [*Executed by Brooke and Orwell only.*]

Feb. 14. Nicholas to his father-in-law Sir Thomas Aylesbury. By command of the Lords of the Admiralty sends him letter of Sir Thomas Button The Officers of the Navy are to certify what course has been taken for supply of the pinnaces therein alluded to [the Fifth and Ninth Whelps], or what they stay for. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 88.]

Feb. 14. 82. Committee of the Council of War to Sir John Heydon. Their Lordships conceived that the rates concerning dressing and stamping arms had been settled by them at St. James's on the 8th inst., Sir John being present. But in a schedule of prices inclosed they find some items still imperfect. They pray him to fill up the blanks, and return the same to the writers. [*Draft.*]

Feb. 14. Whitehall. 83. Sec. Dorchester to the Attorney General. He will find inclosed such information as has been presented by Sir Thomas Tyringham, concerning the case of Richard Harrington, an underkeeper of Windsor Park, and the request thereupon grounded in his behalf, which the King thinks fit to grant, and refers it to his care for the dispatch. [*Draft.*]

Feb. 14. 84. Information of Sir Bevis Thelwall of misconduct of one of the Riplinghams, in receiving money for the Wardrobe, and not putting it into the common chest.

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Feb. 14. Exeter College, Oxford. 85. Dr. John Prideaux to Bishop Laud. The elections of their Fellows is limited to no particular school. Those which they have of Exeter school have attained it from the conceived hope of their abilities. Sir John Acland gave 800*l.* to the building of their hall, and at his death remembered the College with 16*l.* yearly for two poor scholars from Exeter School, but these pensions are cut off. Two poor youths have the title of Sir John Acland's pensioners, but not a penny of maintenance. Reasons (they hear) the city has for it, which they have omitted to acquaint the College with.

[Feb. 14?] Petworth. 86 Henry Earl of Northumberland to James Earl of Carlisle. Will pass some of the night watches in perusing some book alluded to [perhaps Heylyn's Life of St. George]. Whether St. George were a saint or no saint, the order is like to continue honourable so long as it shall be continued at a certain number. Is glad to hear of his health.

Feb. 14. 87. Depositions respecting four several contempts made by Capt. William Crase [Scras?] and his company of the Dolphin against warrants out of the Admiralty for arresting that ship, and also against John Bewley [Beaulie], Lieutenant of Cowes castle. The ship was ultimately arrested, but not without considerable resistance.

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Feb. 15. Whitehall. 1. The Council to the Mayor of Plymouth. John Willett, of Midhurst, was lately committed to the gaol at Exeter for refusing to take the oath of allegiance. The Mayor is to cause him to be set at liberty, taking bond with such sureties as he is able to procure, to render himself to Sec. Dorchester within 14 days.

Feb. 15. Nayland. 2. Petition of the inhabitants of Nayland, co. Suffolk, to Lord Treasurer Weston. Their distressed estate, for want of corn, is so great that most of the inhabitants are ready to perish. Pray him, for Christ's sake, and the love he bears the town, to take some course for their relief. [*Appended are the signatures of John Hankin, clerk, and* 14 *other persons.*]

Feb. 15. 3. John Harrison to Sec. Coke. Has sent the bearer to know his pleasure, concerning the references from his Majesty and the Lords concerning Sallee and the persons and goods of the King's subjects there. Four months were given him to return with an answer, and he has been here almost five months to his great charges. Is no longer able to attend, for want of means. Finds himself neglected, as never was poor gentleman who did such services for a State; first, in the wars of Ireland in the days of Queen Elizabeth, three years; in the Court, a servant to Prince Henry 10 years; in the Palatinate

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in those wars; in the Sommers Islands, Governor there; and seven times employed as agent in Barbary, settling that peace, and redeeming captives. His Majesty stands engaged in honour to return them an answer.

Feb. 15. 4. Petition of William Sedgewick, his Majesty's brewer, and John Benjamin, of Ipswich, maltster, to Sir Thomas Edmondes, Treasurer, and Sir Henry Vane, Comptroller, of the Household, and the rest of the Officers of the Green Cloth. Pray letter to the Justices of Ipswich that Benjamin may be tolerated in his former malt-house, to convert 300 quarters of barley into malt for the King's service. [*Licence given this day. Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 347.]

Feb. 15. 5. Sir Thomas Colepepper to Sir Francis Nethersole, at the Hague. Everybody is busy about the performance of the Queen's mask on Shrovetide next. All the Court ladies are daily practitioners. The report goes on of the Lord Marquis's journey. The King has engaged himself to send 10,000 men to the Swedish army. Rumour that "Mase the Boor" [?] has been beaten and sunk by the Dunkirkers. On Sunday last the Lord Ambassador's four pictures were brought to Whitehall for the King and Queen to see. The King sent for Sir Henry Wotton to give his judgment of them. They are exceedingly commended, and will continue courtiers at Whitehall. Cheney Colepepper is to go over. If it be for good, begs him to recommend him, as the writer's nephew, to the Queen of Bohemia.

Feb. 15. 6. Justices of Peace of Surrey to Sir William Walter, Sheriff of the same county. Report measures taken by them for supplying the markets, and reducing the price of corn in the eastern part of the county. Wheat had been at 8*s.* the bushel, at which price the poor people were not able to buy.

Feb. 15. 7. Petition of John Powell and Eleanor James, relict of Edward James, to Lord Treasurer Weston. Trees have been and are felled in the Forest of Dean, whose roots remain in the ground to the hurt and hindrance of the soil. Pray for a lease of such roots for 21 years, paying 18*d.* per cord to his Majesty. *Annexed,*

7. I. *Reference to Sir Thomas Fanshawe.* 1631, *Feb.* 15 [*?*]

7. II. *Report of Sir Thomas Fanshawe to the Lord Treasurer. The petition is reasonable, subject to certain provisions.*

7. III. *Attorney General Heath to the Lord Treasurer. Concurs in Sir Thomas Fanshawe's opinion, but directs attention to a petition of William Langley (see Vol.* clxxviii., *No.* 22), *who sought confirmation as to the Forest of Dean of a former similar general grant which was not legally operative for that forest. He recommends that the offer of Powell and James should be accepted, as being the best for the Crown.*

7. IV. *Lord Treasurer to the Attorney General. Directs him to prepare the recommended grant to Powell and James.* 1631, *March* 19.

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Feb. 16. 8. Petition of Clais Cornellison Bours and Company, merchants, of Horne, in Holland, and owners of the Young Swan, to the Council. They let that ship to George Rookes and Robert Grove for a voyage to Ireland, and thence to the Canaries, and back to London. On her return, petitioners demanded the freight and demurrage due to them under their charter party. A suit ensued in the Admiralty Court, which stood for determination, when Rookes and Grove procured a prohibition out of the King's Bench. Petitioners set forth the inconvenience of this course, and pray an order for the Judge of the Admiralty to proceed to sentence.

Feb. 16. 9. Duplicate of the preceding.

Feb. 16. 10. Petition of George Wey to the Council. There is such scarcity of corn at Bristol and Weymouth that the poorer people are ready to perish. Petitioner has contracted in Cornwall, where there is great plenty, for certain quantities. Prays licence to transport the same from Padstow. [*Licence given. Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 355.]

Feb. 16. 11. Petition of Robert Barker and Martin Lucas, his Majesty's printers, to the Council. Under a warrant for searching for Bibles and other privileged books printed contrary to the patents granted to petitioners, divers Bibles printed beyond seas were seized and taken from Michael Sparke and others, and left in the custody of the Mayor of Bristol. Sparke has prosecuted a suit at common law for seizing the said books, and is ready to proceed to trial therein. Pray that he may be ordered to appear to answer his contempt. [*Sparke was sent for by warrant this day, and entered his appearance the day following. Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* vi., *pp.* 345, 348, 353.] *Annexed,*

11. I. *Declaration in an action of trespass for taking and carrying away sixty Bibles; Michael Sparke* versus *Philip Waterhouse.*

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The Downs. 12. Capt. John Mennes to the Lords of the Admiralty. Shall not fail to obey their directions for the conduct of Don Carlos de Coloma, but shall be very ill provided of victuals, having but seven days' victuals left. Has received order for Mr. Carteret to be his lieutenant, and will do him the best offices he may. His brother has constantly served during all the late wars; hopes he may not be altogether discouraged. There are two pirates (Nutt and Downes) to the westward, by Plymouth. Prays that he may have the Niver; she would be of great service in discovering bays which these pirates frequent.

Feb. 16. 13. The same to Nicholas. Has sent his purser up about victuals. They have had very foul weather; two Frenchmen cast away near Sandown Castle.

Feb. 16. Nicholas to Francis Earl of Rutland and Thomas Viscount Savage, Commissioners of the late Duke of Buckingham's estate. Explains a transaction in reference to 1,000*l.* (being the payment for a six

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clerk's place), given by Sir Julius Cæsar, Master of the Rolls, to the late Duke of Buckingham, The Duke promised the amount first to Nicholas and afterwards to Sir Henry Hungate. In the end it was received by the latter, but he paid Nicholas 480*l.* as compensation. This amount he now claims against the estate of the Duke as a debt. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 89.]

Feb. 16. 14. Christopher Conway to William Weld. Sends him a copy of the patent concerning the impost of tobacco. If it might be effected, the writer is willing to augment the rent 10*l.* If he has not otherwise disposed of the copy, prays him to deliver it to Mr. Varendell, who says it may be brought to pass. Desires love and service to Lord Conway.

Feb. 16. 15. Affidavit of Capt. Roger Bradshaw in support of Henry Skipwith's claim, disallowed by Julian Calandrini.

Feb. 17. 16. Petition of Edward Waters, *alias* Hierne, to the King. Petitioner has stolen two horses, and other things, for which he is now to be condemned in Newgate. Being sorry, and it being his first offence, he prays pardon. *Underwritten,*

16. I. *Reference to the Recorder to certify the state of petitioner's offences. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 17. *Annexed,*

16. II. *Sir Heneage Finch, Recorder, to the King. Prisoner has been convicted of stealing two horses belonging to Sir Edward Marrow and Humphrey Parrit. He has been reprieved.* 1631, *April* 9.

Feb. 17. 17. Petition of John Tichborne to the same. The King promised petitioner his bounty in lieu of the Ranger's place of the Holt, granted to Robert Tirwhitt, the King's servant for life. Thomas Carr, late Sheriff of Northumberland, having in his custody John Charlton, *alias* John of the Bower, sentenced to death for horse-stealing, allowed him to go at large on bond. Prays grant of the benefit of any forfeiture for the said escape. *Underwritten,*

17. I. *Reference to the Lord Treasurer that he may give order according to the petition if he shall not find it inconvenient. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 17.

17. II. *Report of Attorney General Heath. The grant solicited is fit for his Majesty to bestow at his good pleasure.* 1631, *March* 5.

Feb. 17. 18. Petition of the Master, Wardens and Company of Makers of Playing Cards to the same. The King having incorporated petitioners, and granted them power of seizing cards put to sale without his Majesty's seal or stamp, divers of the King's subjects offend for want of notice. Pray for a proclamation setting forth the liberties granted to petitioners. *Annexed,*

18. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to draw a proclamation in such sort as he thinks fit. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 17.

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Feb. 17. 19. John Laugharne, Sheriff of co. Pembroke, with the Justices of the Peace, to the Council. Report the fulfilment of directions respecting corn and markets, whereby the market has been brought to indifferent rates; but notwithstanding all their endeavours, wheat has been as high as 6s. a strike of eight gallons, which has been occasioned by Tewkesbury, Gloucester, and Bristol men, who have bought under licences for supply of those places granted upon misinformation that this county was supplied by them last year. They have transported 2,000 quarters out of that little county, and intend to proceed farther, which, unless the Council prevent by calling in the licences, the poor will doubtless perish.

[Feb. 17?] 20. Notes out of the Council Book of licences to transport corn to Bristol, Gloucester, and Tewkesbury, out of the counties of Pembroke, Glamorgan, and Carmarthen.

Feb. 17. 21. Petition of the principal Masters of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Similar to that presented on the 12th inst. (*Vol.* clxxxiv., *No.* 71), with some slight alteration in the prayer. In this case they pray for a continuation of all their former allowances, ordinary and extraordinary.

Feb. 17. Wallingford House. 22. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. His Majesty has agreed to demise to Sir Paul Pindar, Sir John Wolstenholme, Abraham Dawes, and John Jacob, his general customs and subsidies from 24 Dec. next coming, for one year, at the rent of 150,000*l.* Allowance is to be made, out of the rent, of 20,000*l.*, advanced by the lessees beforehand, with interest thereon at 8 per cent. with various other payments and deductions. Mr. Attorney is to prepare a lease accordingly.

Feb. 17. Westminster. 23. Rowland Woodward to Francis Windebank. The King of Sweden has passed towards Silesia, whither Tilly has marched to impeach his proceedings. Don Carlos took his leave on Tuesday, and goes away on Saturday, in discretion, it is thought, not to have any more competition with the French about invitation to the Queen's mask on Shrove Tuesday, otherwise it is manifest that he much desired to have seen Sir Francis Cottington before his departure. He was yesterday sumptuously feasted at the cock-pit by the Lord Chamberlain. Sir Henry Vane has all his plate and furniture taken by the Dunkirkers, with which Sir Charles Morgan is also taken. It came in a Hollander with a convoy which is missing, and is thought to be sunk. Concerning "that" with Lady Beauchamp, leaves it to Windebank. Would not have so good a stomach to it if he thought hereafter she would be governed by such an old shaver and ruffian as Bolton? Yesterday, before the Lords, when his Majesty was present, a difference was heard between the Earl Marshal and the Lord Chief Justice. The case is full of unprecedented passages too long for a letter.

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Feb. 17. London. Lud. S. M. [Ludgate St. Martin's?] 24. Dr. Michael Jermyn to Sir Francis Nethersole. To know if he had found an opportunity to present Bishop Lake's works to Elizabeth Queen of Bohemia. Congratulations on the recovery of the health of Lady Nethersole. Has received no despatch in the business committed by her Majesty to himself and Sir John Tunstall.

Feb. 18. Tower Hill. 25. Sir Sampson Darrell to Nicholas. Understands of the Lord Treasurer's wish that the Garland may be provided with one month's victuals to carry over the Ambassador. Though money be exceeding scarce with him, he has borrowed so much as will perform that service. Knows my Lord will consider his endeavours and losses in the King's service.

Feb. 18. 26. Lord Treasurer Weston and Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to Sir Robert Pye. Send him assignation of the funds, out of which 34,233*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.* is to be paid for the charge of the Navy in 1631.

Feb. 18. 27. Justices of Peace for co. Hertford to the Council. Return of their proceedings in reference to the regulation of markets and price of corn. Wheat is at 8*s.* per bushel.

[Feb. 19.] 28. George Lord Dupplin, Lord Chancellor of Scotland, to Sec. Dorchester. A complaint has been made by Nathaniel Uduart [Edwards?] and his partners, patentees for the Greenland trade of Scotland, that their liberties have been violated by the Greenland Company of London, their goods seized, their persons troubled, and their ships impeded, so that they have returned empty, which has bred a general grievance for want of oils, and consequently of soap. Begs him to take measures for repairing the complainants' losses.

[Feb. 19.] 29. Copy of the preceding.

Feb. 19. Whitehall. 30. Council of War to Sir William Courteney. Refer to him a petition of Colonel Robert Farrer for payment of 22*l.* due to his late brother by Gilbert Ware. If Ware refuses to make satisfaction, he is to be commanded to make his appearance before the board. [*Draft.*]

Feb. 19. 31. Deposition of William Shamlard the younger as to the arrest of William Manfield by George Herne, with, *underwritten,* another deposition dated the 26th inst., of Joseph Galpin, respecting a warrant also in the hands of Herne for the arrest of John Bewley [Beaulie], Lieut. of Cowes Castle.

Feb. 19. 32. Opinion of Sir Humphrey Davenport, Lord Chief Baron, with Barons Denham and Trevor, that a licence to retail wines in Plymouth, granted by Queen Elizabeth on the 10th Nov., in the 41st year of her reign, to George White, is void in law; no part of certain indentures therein mentioned having been delivered into the Court of Chancery. *Annexed,*

32. I. *Case upon which the above opinion was founded.*

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Feb. 20. 33. Petition of George Rodolph Weckherlin to the King. Trusts that the King will vouchsafe him some gracious acknowledgment of his service, lest he undo himself and his family thereby. Meanwhile he is enforced to crave some refreshing in this hard time. The late King in the 11th year of his reign granted licence to one of his footmen for 21 years, to cause to print the following books:—Catonis Dysticha, Terentii Comediæ, Æsopi Fabulæ, Virgilii Opera, Ciceronis Opera, Ovidii Opera, Corderii Colloquia, Pueriles Sententiæ et Confabulatiunculæ. That term being almost expired, he prays for a patent in reversion for 31 years for printing the same books, and also, Lud. Vives Colloquia, Eclogæ Mantuani, and Epistolæ Sturmii, whereby he may get some small recompence, as the footman did, by letting the same grant to the Stationers' Company. *Underwritten,*

33. I. *Minute that the King, taking notice of the petitioner's good service, grants his request and directs the Attorney General to prepare a grant accordingly. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 20.

Feb. 20. Whitehall. 34. James Earl of Carlisle to Sir Henry Vane, Ambassador to the United Provinces. Wishes he would communicate his thoughts with the same freedom as the writer, and not return him a recapitulation of his own with malicious comments. His enigmatical state-style leaves the writer in doubt that Sir Henry scarcely received the writer's testimony as authentical for the good satisfaction his Majesty received in his despatches. For his better assurance intends to procure him a certificate. Sends him a problematical discourse of some of the occurrents of these times. If he is delighted with it shall oftener furnish him with such divertissements.

Feb. 20. 35. Reasons by William Bardwell to induce "their Lordships" [Lords of the Admiralty?] to procure Sir William Withypoll to withdraw his action against Bardwell (*Vol.* clxxxiv., *No.* 19.), and to proceed in the Admiralty.

Feb. 20. 36. Another copy of the same.

Feb. 20. 37. Sir Thomas Aylesbury to his son Nicholas. Explains how the question of supply of the Fifth and Ninth Whelps stands. Sir William Russell gave the officers notice that they were to be provided for otherwise than out of the office.

Feb. 20. 38. Inventory by William Drake of tenths taken out of the St. Anthony captured by the Eagle, Capt. Richard Taylor, and brought into Bristol.

Feb. 21. York House. 39. Lady Mary Villiers to Nicholas. Begs him to take notice of arrears due to William Chatterton for supplies served in by appointment of Sir Allen Apsley, and procure him speedy payment.

Feb. 21. 40. Justices of Peace of co. Somerset to [the Council]. Report the want of provision of corn for Frome and the adjoining district, and the steps taken and advised by them for reduction of the price.

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Feb. 21. 41. Justices of the Peace of co. Derby to Francis Bradshaw, Sheriff of the same county. Report their execution of the orders respecting corn, and also of the statutes for relief of the poor, within the hundred of Appletree: wheat 8*s.* per strike.

Feb. 22. Westmoreland House. 42. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. Why his Majesty should delay the licence she has solicited she knows not, unless she has some ill office done her. Begs him to appoint a time when the King's Attorney may attend his Majesty about this business.

Feb. 23. 43. Deposition of John Raynie of Wrotham, co. Kent, made before the Clerk of the Council, as to the circumstances under which he entered into recognizance as collector of the fifth and last subsidy granted to his Majesty in a late Parliament, and how it came to pass that certain recusants therein were taxed at the single subsidy.

Feb. 23. 44. Petition of John Smart of Plymouth to the Lords of the Admiralty. Licence has been given to Sir William Alexander, son of Sir William Alexander, principal Secretary of Scotland, Jarvis Kirk, Robert Charlton, and William Berkeley to trade in the river and gulf of Canada. Petitioner prays for licence for discovery of a further plantation not contained in the before mentioned grant, on the north side from the Gulf, within 12 leagues of Todisack. *Underwritten,*

44. I. *Reference to Sec. Dorchester to examine whether the voyage intended by petitioner be not comprehended within the commission to Sir William Alexander and the rest of the Company of Canada, and if not, the Lords think fit the petititioner should proceed. Wallingford House,* 1631, *Feb.* 26.

Feb. 23. 45. Note of what sweetmeats were at Matthew's christening. [*In the handwriting of Nicholas.*] Total, 6*l.* 8*s.* Among many dried fruits and confections of various kinds occur "potatoes dried," oranges and lemons, maccaroni, marchpanes, Naples biscuits, date plums, wafers, dried citrons, and seven dozen of glasses, hire [of], 2*s.* 4*d.*

Feb. 24. Hurst. 46. Margaret Lady Savile to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for his noble courtesy shewn to Mr. Greaves, though it took no effect from a change of the design. Is now a suitor on behalf of Mr. [Peter] Turner, chosen to be one of the writer's husband's professors [Savilian Professor of Geometry]. Wishes to petition the King for continuance of his Fellowship with his lecture.

Feb. 24. Portsmouth. 47. Mayor and others of Portsmouth to Sec. Coke. Officers of his Majesty's ships riding in that harbour, have, for the use of their wives and families, taken houses there for their habitation, and are also seated in convenient seats in the church, yet refuse to watch for their houses or to pay towards the reparation of the church or relief of the poor. Beg him to take order that they may be conformable to such payments.

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Feb. 24. London. 48. Sir John Finet to Sir Francis Nethersole. Sends letter for the Queen of Bohemia. Recommends to him Lord Wentworth, son of the Earl of Cleveland, who having seen France is now passing by Brussels to the Hague.

Feb. 25. 49. Reasons why the Judges of King's Bench should forbear to prohibit the Court of Admiralty to proceed in matters of wages for mariners, and of freight or hire of ships, and for matters touching the building, repair, or victualling of ships. [*Indorsed by Sec. Dorchester.*]

Feb. 25. 50. Another copy of the same, indorsed by Nicholas.

Feb. 25. 51. Another copy of the same paper, but apparently in a previous state of preparation.

Feb. 25. 52. List of eight recusants remaining in the Castle of York, convicted and in premunire for refusing to take the oath of allegiance. [*Indorsed by Sec. Dorchester, "Quality of recusants petitioned to "be released out of York Gaol, delivered to me by my Lord Presi-"dent Wentworth, 3 March* 1630," *i.e.* 1631.]

Feb. 26. 53. Sir John Ashburnham to Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia. Has at last obtained from the Lord Treasurer a promise of 6,000*l.* of her arrears, to be made over to Burlamachi, and he also says he will undertake to her creditors there to give them satisfaction, and will pay her pension henceforward every quarter. Hopes with the return of the long expected ship of De Boore, to repair again to his attendance on her Majesty. Delivered her commands to Lord Dorchester. Their effect was to give him power to sit up that night at the Queen's masque. Sir Henry Vane received also her favour with the like thankfulness. Mr. Elviston is upon employment to the King of Sweden. Lord Carlisle on Shrove Tuesday was made Groom of the Stool. If he had refused it, Mr. Maxwell, who returned out of France but a day before, would have had it. He and the Lord Treasurer's sons came then to Court full of the turmoils of France, which would not be believed by the Queen until her masque was solemnized. The King goes on Monday to Hampton Court for that week, but leaves the Queen here, where they mean to spend the rest of Lent. Will bring her gloves, garters, and roses, with stockings, and what else he can provide.

Feb. 26. 54. Petition of the Mayor, Jurats, and Commonalty of Hastings, to the Council. That town is in great distress for want of corn. Pray them to authorize John Brett and William Lovell, purveyors for the town, to buy and embark corn within the county of Sussex.

Feb. 26. 55. Justices of Peace of co. Rutland to the same. Return examinations of witnesses respecting words spoken by Nicholas Knight, in relation to a plot for stirring up the poor about Uppingham to a mutinous insurrection. Before receipt of their letter, Knight had

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been bound over to appear at the next sessions. Explain where the arms and powder of the county are kept. *Inclosed,*

55. I. *Separate informations and examinations of John Wilbore, Nicholas Knight, and William Hull.* 1631, *Feb.* 26.

Feb. 26. 56. Nicholas' Minutes of Business for the Lords of the Admiralty, with notes of their decisions. Amongst them: Whether warrant shall be sent to the Captain of the Garland, to discharge 40 of her cupplement; "*fiat.*" To appoint when the ships for a guard for the Narrow Seas shall be set in hand, and when the ten months they are to serve shall begin. What shall be done touching the Henrietta, the Maria, and the Fortune, pink. *Answ.* Nicholas "to attend Sec. Coke about this." To put an end to Turgessen's petition, which has depended these two years. "Ordered according to Dr. Eden's report."

Feb. 26. Whitehall. 57. Lords of the Admiralty to Capt. John Mennes. In the estimate for the present year, the Garland is allowed but 160 men. He is, therefore, to give order that 40 of the most infirm men that are now aboard are to be discharged, tickets being delivered to them for the time they have served, which the Treasurer of the Navy will be directed to pay.

Feb. 26. King's Lynn. 58. Mayor of King's Lynn to the Lords of the Admiralty. Divers shipmasters and seamen came lately before him and made known, that by the loan of the Fourth Whelp, under command of Capt. Thomas March, very good service had been done to the shipping out of this bay to Newcastle, and they desired the writer to signify as much to their Lordships.

Feb. 26. 59. Petition of John Rutelish to the same. Petitioner three years since disbursed 39*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.* for victualling the St. Claude. Has had a warrant for payment and divers references, but Mr. Alcock says that it is not inserted in any estimate, which is the cause it is not paid. Prays order to the Treasurer of the Navy. [*Copy.*] *Underwritten,*

59. I. *Reference to the Officers of the Navy to examine and certify. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 26. [*Copy.*]

Feb. 26. 60. Petition of Elias Sherbrooke to the same. Has belonged to the Navy ever since the time of Queen Elizabeth. Was promised the first master-carpenter's place that should fall. Prays for that place in the Warspite, vacant by the death of Richard Punchington.

Feb. 26. 61. Petition of Robert Turner to the same. Petitioner's grandfather was Admiral of the Narrow Seas in Queen Mary's time; his father, Sir Jeremy Turner, was Admiral and Vice-admiral of the Narrow Seas for 35 years, and he himself had been employed at sea, some time as captain. Prays that he may be employed as captain in the present expedition.

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Feb. 26. 62. Petition of Dawtry Cooper, captain of the late pinnace, the Seventh Whelp, to the same. Having been at above 250*l.* charge in this last year's service, besides the loss of his son, his nephew, several loving friends, and all his goods, and understanding that they intend to send out the St. Claude, he prays for the command of her.

Feb. 26. 63. Sir William Russell's Reasons for the precedency claimed by him as Treasurer of the Navy, being a reply to the Reasons of Sir Thomas Aylesbury. [*See Vol.* clxxxiv., *No.* 25.]

Feb. 26. 64. Copy of the preceding article.

Feb. 26. 65. Minutes of proceedings of the Committee of the Council of War, held at St. James's this day. Among the cases dealt with were those of Henry Skipwith, in reference to his complaint against Julian Calandrini; Mr. Bainbridge, for dressing arms; and Capt. Ouseley;—the Committee thought that he had no just cause of complaint against Burlamachi; report of Sir John Borlase on the petitions of Denmark soldiers referred to him; William Hide, the elder, provost marshal; Capts. Higham and Alexander Lesley, and John Dashfield.

Feb. 26. 66. Report of Sir John Borlase and others on the petitions of the Denmark soldiers, referred to them. *Annexed,*

66. I. *Answer of Capt. William Ashburnham to the petition of Bryan Stapleton, one of those referred to Sir John Borlase and others, and mentioned in their Report.*

Feb. 26. 67. Petition of William Hide, the elder, provost-marshal to General Sir Charles Morgan, to the Committee of the Council of War. Claims 9½ months' pay for himself and two men in the besieged town of Stade, besides 21*l.* for seven months' pay, as serjeant to General Morgan's own company. Prays stay of the same in Calandrini's hands. *Underwritten,*

67. I. *Order for Calandrini to make stay, out of General Morgan's pay, of* 110*l.* 10*s. due to petitioner. St. James's,* 1631, *Feb.* 26. *Annexed,*

67. II. *Account of the way in which the* 110*l.* 10*s. is made out.*

Feb. 26. Wallingford House. 68. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. Sir Paul Pindar, Sir John Wolstenholme, Abraham Dawes, and John Jacob, have further advanced upon the rent agreed to be paid by them, for the farm of the customs for one year, from 24 Dec. next, the sum of 10,000*l.*, over and above the 20,000*l.* before-mentioned (*see No.* 22); therefore, 30,000*l.* is to be expressed in their grant, in lieu of 20,000*l.* There is also to be a clause, that if they advance more money to his Majesty than the rent will bear, they may keep possession until they be reimbursed.

Feb. 26. 69. Attorney General Heath to Lord Treasurer Weston. Received a letter that it was his Majesty's pleasure, concerning Richard Harrington, under-keeper of the Great Park at Windsor, [that he

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should be no more questioned for the death of John Try, slain by Harrington, in the execution of the duty of his place]. Sir Thomas Tyringham desires his Majesty would write in this case; the Attorney General has, therefore, sent the effect of a letter. *Prefixed,*

69. I. *Form of letter above mentioned.*

Feb. 26. Andover. 70. Justices of Peace for Hants to Thomas Coteel, the younger, Sheriff of the same county. Return for the division of Andover of acts done in execution of laws for relief of the poor.

Feb. 26. Cowes Castle. 71. John Beaulie, Lieut. of Cowes Castle, to Sir Fulke Greville, Captain of the same. Having received warrants out of the Admiralty for arresting Capt. William Scras's ship, Scras stood on his guard with pikes and shot. William Fry having got aboard, arrested the ship. They took away his warrants from him, and wiped out the broad arrow; and now they say if he will come aboard, and be ducked and shaved, they will give him his warrants Begs him to acquaint the Lord Treasurer and Sir Henry Marten.

Feb. 27. Scadbury. 72. Sir Thomas Walsingham to Nicholas. The fishermen have been charged to forbear fishing in any place that Lady Teynham lays claim to. Her lord only claimed a certain spot, but her claim is boundless. Urges him to protect the fishermen and the rights of the Admiralty. Walsingham's officers are threatened to be trounced this next assizes. Wishes him to procure some order of the Lords in the fishermen's behalf.

Feb. 28. 73. Petition of Sir Francis Drake to the King. Out of desire to increase deer and game in his lands, he has begun to inclose certain grounds which he intends for keeping deer, in the parishes of Worrington and St. Stephens, near Launceston, and has increased great store of game in his other lands, in the parishes of Buckland Monachorum, Yarcombe, Sampford Spiney, and Brixton, co. Devon. Ill affected persons are encouraged to attempt bold practices for killing deer and game in regard that petitioner has not a grant thereof. Prays for a grant to keep the said inclosed grounds a park for deer, and that his other lands may be free-warren unto them. *Underwritten,*

73. I. *Order for the Attorney General to prepare a bill as prayed. Whitehall,* 1631, *Feb.* 28.

Feb. 28. 74. Horace Lord Vere, Master, and Sir John Heydon, Lieutenant, of the Ordnance, to the King. Report on the petition of William Danes and Roger Danes, respecting the return of ten drakes lent to them, and afterwards lost at sea. The referees state minutely the circumstances of the loss, and the various transactions wherein the petitioners were engaged. As poor men they recommend them to favour. *Underwritten,*

74. I. *Order for their discharge from liability in reference to the lent drakes and the bond given for the same, and reference to the Attorney General to prepare a bill accordingly. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 3.

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Feb. 28. 75. Piers Conway, Sheriff of co. Flint, to the Council. Sends a certificate of the Justices of that county as to the execution of their directions respecting the price of corn, and the regulation of markets.

Feb. 28. 76. Petition of Francis Gargrave to the Lords of the Admiralty. Petitioner being Deputy Vice-Admiral of co. York, Frederick Johnson, of Breame [Bremen], about four years ago had his ship cast away, and his goods, to the value of 30*l.*, seized till he proved himself the King's friend. Without any such proof, petitioner is now sued in the name of Frederick Johnson for the said 30*l.*, and a decree has passed before the President and Council at York, in the petitioner's absence, for the said 30*l.*, with 8*l.* damages. The 30*l.* being due to his Majesty, petitioner prays that he may be freed from a double payment.

Feb. 28. 77. William Cooke and Thomas Austen to the Lords of the Admiralty. Certificate, that the fishermen of St. Nicholas in Rochester, Stroud, Gillingham, and other neighbouring parishes are always ready upon an hour's warning to do his Majesty any sudden service.

Feb. 28. 78. Bartholomew Hone to Sec. Dorchester. Thanks for favours to his kinsman, Capt. Hone. Having 430*l.* due to him at the discharge of the army, he has consumed what he has received in the getting of it. Part remains unsatisfied, and even hope has forsaken him. If his new projects appear reasonable, begs the Sec. to be favourable to them.

Feb. 28. The Duchy House. 79. Henry Viscount Falkland to the same. Having received from him a particular of Sir John Borlase's house, and at the same time finished his own rough collections of the Sec's desire and offers, he sends them to him for correction.

Feb. 28. 80. Certificate of Justices of Peace for Sussex, that within their several divisions, there is not half corn enough to sustain the inhabitants until harvest.

Feb. 28. 81. Precedents stated by Bishop Laud to have occurred "in the High Commission Court, of men and women commanded to enter bond not to come in each other's company, &c., and that before sentence given in cases of incest and adultery." They are all dated between 1619 and 1621. Among the persons mentioned are Sir Alexander Cave, Sir Thomas Beaufoe, and Sir Henry Fiennes.

Feb. 28. 82. Similar list of precedents of women committed in sequestration to Thomas Mottershed, Deputy Registrar of the Ecclesiastical Commission, and his wife, until their causes came to be heard. The persons mentioned, are Francelliana Townsend, accused of adultery with Mr. Neville, who in the beginning of King James's reign, "served to be Earl of Westmoreland;" Mary Graunger, daughter to Sir John Graunger, Frances Molyneux, sister of Sir John Molyneux, of Thorpe, co. Nottingham, and Jane Beckett, whose mother was Sir Pexall Brocas's aunt. [*Also indorsed by Bishop Laud.*]

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[Feb. ?] 83. Petition of Mary Gargrave to the King. Prays for a renewal of her protection, and that she might be suffered to find out something which, being granted, she might be sooner freed from her debts, her pension being already assigned to her creditors. [*Indorsed by Sec. Dorchester "To the Lords of the Council."*]

[Feb. ?] 84. Petition of Capt. George Gibson, who took the Fox, of Amsterdam, to the Council. Prays that the ship may not be restored until he has received his charges for keeping the same.

[Feb. ?] 85. Petition of William Barclay to the same. Stands committed for striking Sir Robert Cock. Acknowledges his fault, and prays release.

[Feb. ?] 86. Robert Sutton, Sheriff, with Justices of Peace, of co. Nottingham, to the Council. Return of inclosures, with statement of the great evils which arise from the consequent depopulation.

[Feb. ?] 87. John Wells to the Lords of the Admiralty. Answer to the petition against him, exhibited by Edward Faulkener, Clerk of the Check at Deptford. He alleges that Faulkener's patent is an innovation of recent years, occasioning great inconvenience and increase of charge; (*see Vol.* clxxxiii., *No.* 38.)

[Feb. ?] 88. Sir Thomas Button to the same. Suggestions in consequence of the number of enemies ships on the coast of Ireland, for restoration of the number of men formerly allowed to the Ninth and Fifth Whelps, *i.e.*, 80 and 70, and that those ships should be fitted with half a dozen murderers a piece, and a couple of brass minions, or light sakers, and everything else necessary for a defensive fight against stronger enemies.

[Feb. ?] 89. Petition of Sir William Slingsby to the Lords Committees for the causes of the Earl of Castlehaven. On the 9th December last, petitioner was required to receive into his house the young lady Audley, for three or four days, who with her servants have been ever since entertained to his great trouble. After 10 weeks he prays to be released of his charge, and the rather that two of his family are sick of ague, and his wife desires to remove to his house at Richmond for her better health.

[Feb. ?] 90. Brief against the will of Nicholas Turner, and Thomas May and John Brooke, the pretended executors. Testator died 24th Jan. 1629. His place of residence is not stated, but one of the witnesses is described as of Halberton, co. Devon.

[Feb. ?] 91. Statement of the descendants from the sisters of Nicholas Turner, mentioned in the preceding article.

[Feb. ?] 92. Justices of Peace, of co. Derby, to Francis Bradshaw, Sheriff of the same county. Return as to the supply and price of corn for the Hundred of Morlestone and Litchurch; wheat at 7*s.* the strike.

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[Feb. ?] 93. Other Justices of Peace for co. Derby to Francis Bradshaw, Sheriff of the same county. Similar return for the Hundred of High Peak, and also as to the relief of the poor.

[Feb. ?] 94. Other Justices of Peace for co. Derby to the same. Similar return for the Hundred of Repton and Gresley.

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March 1. Westminster. Bill to pass the Privy Seal containing a command that from thenceforth there should be laid and received of all tobacco of the growth of Virginia and the Sommers Islands imported into this kingdom, for every pound 3*d.* in the name of custom, and 6*d.* in the name of impost and increase of custom, and for every pound of the growth of St. Christopher's and the other Carribbee Islands, 3*d.* for custom and 9*d.* for impost. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 44.]

March 1. Docquet of the same.

March 1. Whitehall. 1. The King to Attorney General Heath. To prepare the preceding bill for laying custom and imposts upon tobacco, for the King's signature.

March 1. Westminster. 2. The same to the same. To prepare for the King's signature a release to James Levingston, one of the Grooms of the Bed-chamber, of all sums of money, jewels, plate, and other things received by him on sundry occasions for the King's private use and service.

March 1. 3. Petition of Peter Turner, M.A. and Fellow of Merton College, Oxon., to the King. Sir Henry Savile having founded two Mathematic Lectures, provided that they should be compatible with no other preferment, which statute seems to have been grounded on the ample salaries by him intended for his professors, and their freedom from any other profession. The stipend of these lectures having fallen above 50*l.* per annum and beyond the value of a fellowship, petitioner prays the King to supple the rigour of the statute, and declare it suspended in petitioner's particular. *Underwritten,*

3. 1. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare such a dispensation as the case requires. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 1.

March 1. 4. Petition of Sir Roger Manners, of Whitwell, co. Derby, to the King. Queen Elizabeth, by her letters patent, assigned Richard Ogle and others to survey the walls and banks by the sea and marsh ground, in co. Lincoln. On petition of the inhabitants of Fleet, in that county the Commissioners ordained laws concerning the same,

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which laws were allowed by the late King. Pray his Majesty's ratification of the same. *Underwritten,*

4. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare the ratification solicited. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 1.

March 1. Westminster. 5. Justices of Peace for Westminster to the Council. Return names of offenders in respect to the sale of bread lacking weight, with some regrators. White wheat holds at 9*s.* 8*d.* the bushel, red wheat at 8*s.* 8*d.*, and oatmeal at 8*s.* Salt fish and Irish fish are much enhanced.

March 1. The Duchy House. 6. Henry Viscount Falkland to Sec. Dorchester. Sends a letter for the Sec. to peruse. The style, although odd and extravagant, may work better effect than if put into words more composed and serious. Some men will sooner be fooled than persuaded to do any thing as they should do. Yet the writer is not that fool that loves his bauble better than the Tower of London.

March 1. Dover Road. 7. Capt. John Mennes to Nicholas. On Friday last, at four in the morning, received the Lord Ambassador on board, and presently sailed. Was forced back by a great stress of wind out of the south-east, but landed him at Dunkirk at three in the afternoon on Sunday. Is back in Dover Road, where he intends to ply to and again. They talk of a certainty that the King of France has 70 ships in readiness, and will be suddenly at sea. Has received victuals for a month. Time would be saved if a greater proportion were sent together.

March 1. 8. George Carteret to the same. So soon as he had the letter of the Lords, he came down to Capt. Mennes, who received him with discontent, because his brother was dispossessed. Continues himself strange. Does what he may to gain his love.

March 1. Whitehall. 9. William Boswell to Sir John Heydon. The Lords [of the Council of War] desire him to peruse an inclosed schedule of rates and prices [of arms], and deliver his opinion thereon. They wish him also to compare the new rate with the old, that they may certify what good is likely to arise to his Majesty and the kingdom. [*Draft.*]

March 1. London. 10. The Council to Sir Thomas Jermyn. Send proclamation forbidding the planting of tobacco in those islands [Jersey and adjacent islands]. All the plants are to be destroyed, and none to presume to plant it hereafter. No tobacco is to be brought from thence into any part of this kingdom, save the Port of London. [*Draft in the handwriting of Sec. Coke.*]

March 1. 11. The Company of Merchant Adventurers to the States General of the United Provinces. Reply to a proposition delivered to their Committee. 1. They leave the determination of the question in dispute to the King and the States General. 2. Freedom of traffic has been guaranteed to them by the States General and also by the Town of Delft.

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March 2. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Henry Browne, his Majesty's Cockmaster, 1,000*l.*, in recompence of his place and for good service therein. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 45.]

March 2. Westminster. Warrant to pay to George Lord Baltimore 2,000*l.*, to be deducted out of the increase of subsidy on raw silk imported. [*Ibid., No.* 46.]

March 2. Docquet of the same.

March 2. Westminster. 12. The King to Lord Treasurer Weston. Bishop Laud intends to build at St. John's College in Oxford, in pursuance of their founder's will, and to perfect the house, and has prayed the King to bestow upon him 200 tons of timber, to be taken out of the Forests of Shotover and Stow wood, co. Oxon. The Lord Treasurer is to give order accordingly. [*Copy.*]

March 2. Docquet of the same.

March 2. Royal Licence for William Elphinston, one of his Majesty's Cupbearers, to pass beyond seas, and to take with him four others, who are of his company. [*Docquet.*]

March 2. 13. Reasons why the fees paid to Lord Stanhope, Master of the Posts, and to the Paymaster, should not be lessened. Since 30 May 1620, fees had been paid of 12*d.* in the pound to the Master of the Posts, and 12*d.* to the Paymaster, with 2*s.* 6*d.* on every acquittance. The posts disputed these payments.

March 3. Docquet of warrant to pay to Sir Henry Browne 1,000*l.* [*See Sign Man.*, 1631, *March* 2.]

March 3. Letter to the President and Senior Fellows of Magdalen College, Cambridge, to admit William Leech into the fellowship which Joseph Jackson is to surrender, being in his Majesty's gift. [*Docquet.*]

March 3. Westminster. Grant to Sir William Russell, Bart, of two fines of 500*l.* imposed on Sir Thomas Reade in the Court of Chancery, that thereout Sir William might receive satisfaction of 500*l.* decreed in that Court to be paid to him with his costs. (*See Vol.* clxxxiv., *No.* 5.) [*Sign. Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 47.]

March 3. Docquet of the same.

March 3. 14. Petition of Thomas Thornhill to the King. A weed which grows in Spain and Barbary, called orchil, being compounded serves for the use of feltmakers, painters, cardmakers, and other trades. Petitioner has found out an improved way of compounding the same. Prays that he may have the benefit of his invention for 14 years at the rent of 20 nobles. *Underwritten,*

14. 1. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare a grant as prayed, if he find not the same inconvenient. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 3.

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March 3. 15. Petition of Patrick Craford and Matthew Birkenhead to the King. In April last his Majesty by letters patent created an office for granting licences and passes at Bristol and other ports, and constituted petitioners clerks of the same. Through the obstinacy of some masters of ships, the object of the same patent could not be effected. Pray for renewal of the same with certain new stipulations. *Underwritten,*

15. I. *Order for the Attorney General to certify what he thinks meet for his Majesty to do. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 3.

March 3. Rollesby. 16. Francis Mapes, Sheriff of Norfolk, to the Council. Reports the contents of three returns received from Justices of various divisions of that county respecting the state of the corn markets and the price of corn. Among the measures adopted for diminishing the consumption of grain, one was not to license ale houses but to such as would enter into a recognizance not to sell a less quantity than two full "thurdendeles" of beer, according to his Majesty's standard, for a penny. Throughout the county the price of corn was deemed excessive; in one division the authorities laid in a store, and sold the same to the poor, viz. rye at 3*s.* 4*d.* the bushel, barley at 2*s.* 6*d.*, buck at 20*d.*

March 3. 17. Edward Viscount Wimbledon to Sec. Dorchester. Recommends to him the bearer, who had followed the writer in the war, and was one of the best engineers in the kingdom. The King had bestowed on him the surveyorship of Portsmouth. The Sec. is requested to procure him his Majesty's hand for passing a Privy Seal for it.

March 3. 18. Petition of the Fishermen of the hundred of Milton, Gillingham, Shamwell, and other parts adjoining in Kent, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Time out of memory the poor seamen and fishermen of the places aforesaid have quietly exercised their craft of fishing in Burlett and other indraughts, and have thus supported their families to the number of 2,000 persons at the least, and been always ready to do his Majesty service in the Navy. But now Lady Teynham, widow, Mr. Painter, Mr. Milton of Gillingham, and others, pretend right to these fishing places, and appropriate them to their own particular uses. Pray for protection in their ancient liberties, and that the persons named may surcease their suits. *Underwritten,*

18. I. *Reference to Sir Henry Marten to certify what he conceives to be the true right of these poor men. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 3. *Annexed,*

18. II. *Report of Sir Henry Marten. Being informed that the petitioners have been long in quiet possession, and that the creeks in which they fish are navigable for King's ships, he thinks it much concerns the commonwealth and the jurisdiction of the Admiralty that these poor men should be protected, and that letters should be written to Lady Teynham, Painter, and Milton, to forbear interrupting the fishermen. Doctors' Commons.* 1631, *April* 23.

March 3. 19. Copy of the preceding petition and underwritten reference.

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March 3. 20. Statement of William Manfield, a gunner of Cowes Castle, as to the resistance offered by Capt. Scras and his crew on the first attempt to arrest their ship, and the subsequent arrest of Manfield on a charge of false imprisonment.

March 3. 21. Notes by Sec. Coke of the proceedings of the Committee of the Council for Trade. Claim of Lord Lindsey on Shotover and Stow wood, which was petitioned against by the Navy men and the University of Oxford, referred to a sub-committee. Citizens of London summoned to give account of their proceedings with the crown lands conveyed to them. Notes of their examination. Account of proceeds of lands sold to be furnished in 14 days.

March 3. Dartmouth. 22. Mayor and another of Dartmouth to Henry Ashford, Sheriff of Devon. Report the price of corn (wheat the last market day 9*s.* 6*d.* and 9*s.* 9*d.*), and their measures to prevent consumption in brewing and other ways.

March 3. 23. Justices of Peace for Hants to Thomas Coteel, the younger, Sheriff of that county. Return for the Division of Kingsclere of the execution of the laws for relief of the poor; 50 apprentices bound out within the last month; watch and ward kept; the clothiers desist from employing the poor on account of want of buyers of their cloth; wheat sold at 6*s.* 8*d.* to 7*s.* the bushel.

March 4. Westminster. Warrant to pay to William Alcock 500*l*, as the King's gift. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 48.]

March 4. Westminster. Grant to John Hunt and Robert Hunt of a farm called Staverdale, and lands in Wincanton and Charlton Musgrave, co. Somerset, lying within the forest of Selwood, on payment of a fine of 415*l.*, and under a yearly rent of 10*s.* [*Ibid., No.* 49.]

March 4. 24. Petition of [Capt. Powell and others], officers who lost their places in the Low Countries, to the King. After their 27 months discharge they are unable to continue any further attendance. Pray order to the Council of War to take a course for satisfying their claims. *Underwritten,*

24. I. *Reference to the Council of War to consider the pretensions of petitioners to reward. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 4.

March 4. 25. John Allen, Sheriff of city of Lichfield, to the Council. Forwards certificate of Bailiffs of Lichfield. *Annexed,*

25. I. *Justices of Peace of Lichfield to the said Sheriff. Report on the insufficient state of the market in that city, and the high price of corn. Lichfield,* 1631, *Feb.* 23.

March 4. Norwich. 26. Mayor and others of Norwich to the same. The number and misery of the poor of the city have so increased that the writers have been obliged to put upon themselves, and the better rank of citizens, treble as much as they formerly paid, and all other citizens twice as much. They have borrowed 300*l.* to disburse in corn for

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the poor. Exportation of corn is still carried on at Wells and Clay, under a licence from their Lordships. Pray that it may be recalled.

March 4. 27. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. His Majesty has bestowed on George Melvill and such others as have taken pains in the Star Chamber against the silkmen, for discovering the abuse of false dying of silk, 1,500*l.* to be paid out of the fines of the offenders. The Attorney General is to prepare a warrant for his Majesty's signature.

March 4. Dover Castle. 28. Sir Edward Dering to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Warden. Reports the true circumstances of a robbery committed on board a French vessel in Dover harbour, in reply to an exaggerated account of the transaction given by Laurence Dollo, the master. Before the receipt of a letter from the Earl he had investigated the matter, and had committed five of the culprits to Dover Castle. Suggests they should be tried for piracy.

March 4. 29. Certificate of Kenrick Edisbury of the amount due to Montjoy Earl of Newport, for his service in the St. Andrew as Vice-Admiral of the fleet to Rochelle in 1628: 86 days at 16*s.* 8*d.*, or 15*s.*, per diem.

March 4. 30. Account of what was gathered towards the relief of the poor in the precinct of St. Mary Bothaw: total 8*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*

March 4. 31. Account of the total sums gathered for the poor in Abchurch, St. John's, and St. Mary Bothaw precincts, and in the parishes of St. Swithin and Woolchurch: total 43*l.* 10*s.* 11*d.*

March 4. 32. Assessment of a rate levied in St. Mary Bothaw for charges for the city: total 1*l.* 18s. 1*d.*

March 5. Westminster. Grant to George Dawbridgecourt of the office of keeper of Bagshot Park, in the Forest of Windsor and co. Surrey, with the fee of 5*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* per annum, on surrender of Thos. Seabrooke. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 50.]

March 5. Westminster. Grant to Gregory Granger of the place of one of the yeoman prickers of the King's privy harriers, with the wages of 3*l.* per month, on surrender of Nicholas Cockain. [*Ibid., No.* 51.]

March 5. Westminster. Grant to Lancaster Gibbons, serjeant-at-arms, of a recognizance of 200*l.*, forfeited by William Rust. [*Ibid., No.* 52.]

March 5. 33. Sir Guilford Slingsby to Sec. Dorchester. Inconvenience of employing the St. Claude in this present service. It will be cheaper on account of the great expense of her needful repairs to give her away and employ another ship.

March 5. London. 34. Sec. Coke to Attorney General Heath. He may remember a grant of a new office for making billets in the nature of process in Wales conferred upon Robert Tirwhitt, his Majesty's servant. His Majesty understanding the inconveniences of this office directs the Attorney General to prepare a bill for revoking the same.

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March 5. 35. Nicholas to Sir Henry Marten. The Spaniards and Dutch offer good caution to be responsible for the Spanish prize brought into Dartmouth by the Hollanders. It is his Majesty's pleasure that she be delivered upon good caution to the Spaniards.

March 5. 36. Minute of directions from the Lords of the Admiralty to Nicholas, to write to Mr. Taylor, agent to the Archduchess, that Don Carlos, Ambassador Extraordinary from Spain, had promised that the bark taken on the river Thames, near Faversham, by a Dunkirker since the peace, should be sent back, and that their Lordships request Mr. Taylor to cause the Ambassador's promise to be fulfilled.

March 5. The Convertive. 37. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to Nicholas. They have arrived at Portland and to-morrow intend to put into Portsmouth. The Ambassador is come home in good health and very rich. They have brought in plate 80,000*l.* sterling, which he conceives is for the King. Their passage was short; but 11 days. The solemnities at Madrid on the Ambassador's departure and his receipt at that King's charge in his whole journey will all be trumpeted by Sir R. Winde [Wynn?], who brings this, *vivâ voce.*

March 5. 38. Certificate of Henry Birkhened [Birkenhead], prothonotary of Chester, that John Young had made search among the indictments for the last three years, and could not find any indictment against Elizabeth, wife of William Rathbone, for bigamy.

March 6. Sutton. 39. Francis Lord Deincourt to Sec. Dorchester. For parting with his house or garden he may not upon any terms. In April his wife and family will be there, so that it is not in his power to satisfy the Sec's. desires.

March 6. 40. Sir John Carleton to the same, his uncle. He is better, but his disease admits rather of amendment than recovery. As a faithful counsellor it tells him that his abiding must not be in this world. Hopes the Sec. is well recovered. If he ventures to Imbercourt desires he would remember his service to "my Lady."

March 6. 41. Theological paper indorsed by Bishop Laud, as containing "Mr. Mady's doctrine about election." The writer states the doctrine in conformity with the conclusions of the Synod of Dort.

March 7. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Abraham Williams, 500*l.*, for defrayment of the Queen of Bohemia's last lying in. [*Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 53.]

March 7. Westminster. Protection for Mary Gargrave, one of the Maids of Honour to the late Queen Anne, for one year from 10 Feb. last. [*Ibid., No.* 54.]

March 7. Westminster. Warrant to pay to John Dinley, servant to the Queen of Bohemia, 1,200*l.*, in reward of his faithful service. [*Ibid., No.* 55.]

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March 7. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Abraham Williams 1,150*l.* for providing liveries for the servants of the Queen of Bohemia, and for beer and other provisions for her use for the year 1630. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 56.]

March 7. Westminster. Dispensation to Peter Turner, M.A., to hold, together with his fellowship in Merton College, Oxford, a mathematical lecture founded by Sir Henry Savile. [*Ibid., No.* 57.]

March 7. Westminster. 42. The King to Attorney General Heath. The owners of Alne, Tollerton, and Meweton, within the precincts of Galtres forest, having refused to concur in the disafforestation, on terms propounded by the Commissioners and very much in their favour, the King is resolved to continue the lands of those towns within the jurisdiction of a forest and the forest laws, and to that purpose wills the Attorney General to prepare instruments for declaring the King's pleasure.

March 7. 43. Petition of Christian Countess Dowager of Devonshire to the King. The late King granted to trustees for Gilbert, late Earl of Shrewsbury, the lands of Shothull and Postern and the Champion of the Peak in co. Derby, but there are some legal informalities in the grant. Petitioner having purchased the same for her son, the now Earl of Devon, from the Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, brother and heir of the late Lord Steward, to whom Earl Gilbert conveyed the same, she prays a new grant and confirmation. *Underwritten,*

43. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to prepare such grant and confirmation accordingly. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 7.

March 7. 44. Sec. Coke to Nicholas. Capt. Plumleigh says the Convertive is very tight and sound and fit for service, and only wants graving. Begs him to consider for what time she is victualled. If she have a convenient remain on board she may beat it out in the Narrow Seas till her victuals be near spent, and then come into Chatham to be graved.

March 7. Dover. 45. Anthony Percival to the same. Will stay the Hollander who has three-fifth parts of sugar from St. Thomas's, until he has answered his Majesty's tenth. Yesterday when at church the writer had word brought that they were going. He went and had them brought back from the pier head into the harbour. Believes the Holland Ambassador will complain of him for staying the ship.

March 7. Dover. 46. Inventory of his Majesty's tenths of two-fifth parts of the sugars mentioned in the preceding article, certified by Anthony Percival, the collector.

March 7. 47. Minutes of proceedings of the Committee of the Council of War. The cases dealt with were those of Ann Bremond, Nathaniel Humphrey, brother to Lieut. Zaccheus Humphrey, John Dashfield, Thomas Heskett (*see the next article*), and Cyril Turnour's widow. The Committee also, in reference to the question of dressing arms

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determined that pikes ought to be 16 feet long, and that the stamping and marking of the arms of the Trained Bands should be left to the Lord Lieuts. and Dep. Lieuts.

March 7. 48. Petition of Thomas Heskett to the Council of War. Robert Ravenscroft, lieutenant to Capt. George Fleetwood in his Majesty's service in Denmark, died, leaving 29*l.* 7*s.* due to him, as appeared by an annexed paper. Burlamachi affirms that the money had been paid to Capt. Fleetwood's father. Prays them to take order for payment. *Underwritten,*

48. I. *Order for Sir Miles Fleetwood to satisfy the petitioner, or shew cause why he is not to do it. St. James's,* 1631, *March* 7.

March 7. 49. Suggestions by Edward Viscount Wimbledon as to the way in which master armourers and gunmakers may be employed and relieved in this time of peace without charge to his Majesty. *Annexed,*

49. I. *An additional suggestion, in another handwriting, for preventing every one from selling armours, except those which they shall have bought from the Company of Armourers.*

March 7. Fareham. 50. Justices of Peace for co. Hants to Thomas Coteel the younger, Sheriff of Hants. They have appointed meetings in the division of Portsdown and will proceed as occasions are offered.

March 7. Christ Church. 51. William Strode, public orator of the University of Oxford, to Sir Thomas Roe, at his lodging in St. Martin's Lane. Returns him thanks for his gift of a collection of the synodal letters of the Council of Basle. Lat.

March 8. Westminster. Release to James Levingston for all sums of money, plate, jewels and other things received of the King, and by his direction disposed of for the King's private service. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 58.]

March 8. Grant to Elizabeth Countess Dowager of Anglesea of a pension of 1,000*l.* per annum, with the arrears due upon a similar pension heretofore granted to the late Earl of Anglesea. [*Ibid., No.* 59.]

March 8. Chester. 52. William Earl of Derby to the Council. Sent the Book of Orders to the Justices of Peace of co. Chester, and received the inclosed letter. *Inclosed,*

52. I. *Sir George Booth to William Earl of Derby. Sends list of the Justices of the Peace, and the divisions answerable to their habitations and conveniency to meet and see these good rules observed.* [*Copy.*]

March 8. Wallingford House. 53. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. The King grants to Lord Powys the offices of Constable of the Castle of Radnor and Steward of various manors in co. Radnor, parcel of the late earldom of March. The Attorney General is to prepare a bill accordingly.

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March 8. Wallingford House. 54. Lord Treasurer Weston to Dr. William Smith, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford, and Dr. John Bancroft and the Preservators of the Forest of Shotover and Stow wood. The King has bestowed upon Bishop Laud 200 tons of timber out of their forest. They are to cause the same to be taken of decaying trees and trees least fit for ship timber. [*Copy.*]

March 8. 55. Petition of Edmund Savile and Robert Benson to Lord Treasurer Weston. Thomas Lord Savile endeavours to surrender to his Majesty the several walks and lodges within the forest of Galtres, and to have from his Majesty a consideration for the same. The interest of the greater part thereof is in petitioners. They are ready to join in such surrender, and pray that satisfaction may be given them for their interest. *Underwritten,*

55. I. *Order of the Lord Treasurer to the Attorney General to stay any surrender from Lord Savile until the right of the petitioners may be made appear.* 1631, *March* 8.

March 8. 56. Petition of Capt. Henry Dunning to the Lords of the Admiralty. Was commander of the Miniken ketch for nine years. The said ketch being laid up, he prays to be appointed master of the St. Claude, now shortly to be employed.

March 8. From his house in Ipswich. 57. Henry Dade to Nicholas. The business of Sir William Withypoll will much encourage lords of manors to encroach upon his Majesty's right of wreck, and will much dishearten such as belong to the Admiralty. Begs him to solicit the business effectually.

March 8. 58. Statement by Attorney General Heath of the question in dispute between the Crown and the City of London. The King, in consideration of a debt of 149,897*l.* 2*s.* due to the city, conveyed to them lands in fee farm to the value of 12,496*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* per annum, those who dealt for the city verbally undertaking to make fair sales of the lands as good stewards for the King, and to reassure the residue after the city debt was paid. The city having made unthrifty bargains, whereby the King is wronged, the question is in what way he may be righted. [*Copy in the handwriting of Sec. Coke.*]

March 8. 59. Another copy of the above.

March 8. 60. Certificate of Capt. Phineas Pett of the sufficiency of Elias Sherbrooke to be a master carpenter in any of his Majesty's ships.

March 9. Westminster. 61. Letters Patent whereby the King grants to Queen Henrietta Maria all manner of regal and other rights, liberties, and franchises whatsoever to be appurtenant to all the lands and tenements granted to her and to others for her. Latin. [*Attested copy.*]

March 9. Westminster Warrant to pay to George Melvill 1,500*l.* for his pains and charges in prosecuting a suit in the Star Chamber against divers silkmen and dyers of London, to be paid out of the fines of the offenders. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 60.]

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March 9. Hatfield Broadoak. 62. Sir Thomas Barrington to Sec. Dorchester. If there be not some speedy course taken for prevention, extreme scarcity and want are likely to fall upon the kingdom and that county in especial. Suggests, 1. Fixing the price of corn; 2. Prohibition of malting until 20 July or thereabouts. Few are able to reach the prices of wheat; barley is the chief sustenance of the general body of the kingdom, and that sells at 6*s.* 4*d.* per bushel; 3. That every corn-master should reserve in hand a reasonable quantity of grain for the poor; 4. The Sec. should assure himself that no corn is exported.

March 9. 63. The Company of Muscovia Merchants, now Adventurers to Greenland, to the same. Reply to the letter addressed to the Sec. by an honourable person of Scotland, respecting the treatment of Mr. Edwards (*see Vol.* clxxxv., *No.* 28). Set forth all their proceedings with Hoarth and others of Yarmouth, Hawes, a cheesemonger of London, and Mr. Edwards, and the various Orders of Council made therein from 1627 to the present time, and conclude that they have done no violence to the privileges of Scotland, but that Edwards has wronged and molested the Company.

March 9. 64. Theological Notes, entitled, "Difference between the hatred of "God and Man." *Indorsed by Bishop Laud, "The second part "of Mr. Archer's Catechism."*

March 10. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Edward Viscount Wimbledon 4,282*l.* 3*s.*, and to give warrant to the officers of the New Forest for 877 tons of timber for repairing the fortifications of Portsmouth. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 61.]

March 10. Westminster. Warrant to pay to John Mansell, appointed surveyor of the works at Portsmouth, 16*d.* per diem as wages, in the room of George Nevy, late surveyor there. [*Ibid., No.* 62.]

March 10. 65. Copy of the Privy Seal founded on the preceding warrant.

March 10. 66. The King to Sec. Dorchester, as follows:—

"Thease dispaches of Augiers ar of suche importance, that I cannot "returne them to you without one worde; yet scarce two; because they "ar not to bee answerd, hastilie; &, by the grace of God, I shall "be soone with you; onlie I will say, his opinion is not amiss. C.R. "Thursday, 9 a kloke at Night."

Indorsed by Dorchester, "From the King the 10*th of March* 1630 "[*i.e.* 1630–31], *he being then at Hampton Court."*

March 10. 67. The King to Secs. Dorchester and Coke. Edward Norgate, one of the Clerks of the Signet Extraordinary, has for many years been employed for writing letters to the Emperor and Patriarch of Russia, the Grand Signor, the Great Mogul, the Emperor of Persia, and Kings of Bantam, Macassar, Barbary, Siam, Achine [Achen], Fez, Sus, and other far distant kings. Of late many letters of that kind have been written by scriveners and so become exposed to the public and common view. Hereafter such letters are to be written by Norgate only and his deputies. [*Copy.*]

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March 10. Steventon. 68. Thomas Coteel the younger, Sheriff of Hants, to the Council. Has sent two certificates on 20 Dec. and 11 Jan. in obedience to the Book of Orders. On the 5th inst. at the Assizes at Winchester the Justices required him to shew to their Lordships that there is not anything more to inform them of, the prices of corn being still the same.

March 10. 69. Sir John Wingfield, Sheriff of co. Rutland, to the same. Reports the contents of certificates of Justices of Peace of that county as to the measures taken by them to supply the markets. Wheat was at 7*s.* the strike. They have also taken order for execution of the laws for relief of the poor.

March 10. Wallingford House. 70. Lord Treasurer Weston to Attorney General Heath. The offices of Avenor, Escheator, and Feodary of the Duchy of Cornwall are by inquisition found void, for not accounting for such money as Robert Langdon, who enjoyed the same, received by virtue thereof. He is to prepare a grant of the same offices to Stephen Smyth, he putting in security to account.

March 10. The Downs. 71. Capt. John Mennes to [Nicholas]. Has plied to and again between Beachy and the Downs. The pirates he spoke of were in Helford Bay three days before. If they be not prevented they will daily grow strong. Great forces are drawing into Dunkirk, where they doubt the French.

March 10. Mincing Lane. 72. Kenrick Edisbury [to Nicholas]. John Sommers, purser of the Seven Stars till she was employed at the Barricade by Upnor Castle, is of sufficiency to perform the place of purser in any of his Majesty's pinnaces.

March 10. Westminster. 73. Thomas Viscount Wentworth to ———. In the business wherewith he has made the writer acquainted, will do him the best offices he possibly can: takes it as an opportunity offered to lay the materials of a hearty, true friendship. Moved the Lord [Treasurer] on his behalf either for present payment or a good assignment. His answer was that upon the sudden he could not tell where to settle the business. The writer told him that after he had thought upon it a day or two the writer must put him in mind to let him have a determinate satisfaction, which he says he will do. "I shall not fail "to refresh his memory, and told him, seeing you had put it into "my hand, I must not leave him till I got you a good issue of your "business, as the beginning of friendship and confidence betwixt us, "and surely he shall find me as good as my word." Has had all this morning a violent fit of the "migram" with such dimness of sight that he hardly sees the letters as he writes.

March 10. 74. Certificate of the Mayor of Maidstone as to the quantity and price of corn, and supply and employment of the poor. The town has provided for the poor twopenny loaves of bread made of wheat and barley, of a greater weight than the baker's bread, every loaf weighing 9 or 10 oz.

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March 10. 75. Draft entry, probably intended to be made on the Episcopal Register of Bishop Laud, as to proceedings against —— Mady, summoned to answer for treating of predestination in a sermon, contrary to the King's proclamation. Mady asserted that "opera "Trinitatis ad intra are all one, which his Lordship proved unto "him was desperate heresy," and thereupon withdrew his leave to preach in the diocese of London.

[March 10?] 76. Notes of a sermon which treated of that pride which is said to be "the sin of many courtiers, and other great personages." The preacher described a Court, in the words "of a late reverend divine," as "altogether for money," "a mint of fashions," "an exchange of compliments," and alleged that there was "a kind of necessity for courtiers to accommodate themselves to all companies," "like the "herb *tripolium*, which changeth colour thrice every day, being some-"time white, sometime violet, and sometime carnation." [*Indorsed by Bishop Laud, "Mr. Mady. The Courtiers."*]

March 10. 77. Inventory and valuation by Peter Soettelinck, of the Charity of Flushing and her lading, taken 11th January 1631, in the Liberties of Faversham, by a Dunkirker; total, 722*l.* 5*s.*

March 10. 78. Copy of the same Inventory, with deduction made for such articles as were restored; balance, 458*l.*

March 11. 79. Report of Robert Cadman and John Brown, fishermen, of Rye, sent to the Lord Warden by the Mayor of Dover, to inform him as to the reasons of the want of fish. They attribute it to the destruction of fry, consequent upon the use of improper nets, both by French and English fishermen. [*Draft, in the handwriting of Sec. Coke.*]

March 11. Nicholas to Mr. Taylor, agent for the Archduchess. Requests him to see to the fulfilment of Don Carlos's promise that the Dutch pink taken in the Thames, near Faversham, should be sent back; *see March* 5, 1631, *No.* 36. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 91.]

March 11. London. 80. Capt. John Mason to Nicholas. Is given to understand that Mr. Rookes has no intention to employ the Esperance, which is a daily charge to the King. Begs him to move the Lords of the Admiralty that Rookes may be enjoined to take her, on the conditions agreed upon, or that Mason may have her for fetching masts for the King's service.

March 12. 81. Petition of Hannibal Bonithon, Lieut. of St. Mawes, to the Lords of the Admiralty. Being discharged and preparing homeward, he has received from Sir Francis Vivian some reasons which he desires should be presented to their Lordships. Prays that they may be read and considered. *Underwritten,*

81. I. *Reference to Lord Vere, Master of the Ordnance, to advertise what has been certified on past surveys of the importance and use of St. Mawes Castle. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 12.

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81. II. *Horace Lord Vere to the Lords of the Admiralty. Reports that in the survey made by Sir John Ogle and others in* 1623, *St. Mawes Castle is described as of good strength, and well situated, and out of the reach of Pendennis' shot, but overtopped with high ground.* 1631, *March* 18.

March 12. Notes by Sec. Coke, of proceedings of the Committee of the Council of Trade. Principally relating to the proposal for a Company for supplying the kingdom with salt at 2*s.* per bushel (*see Vol.* clxxvii., *No.* 74.) The objections of the Essex men were delivered in by Sec Dorchester, and the undertakers spoken with. A proportion or share in the Company offered to all the petty houses, *i.e.*, small makers of salt, which the Committee thought reasonable. [*See* 1631, *March* 3, *No.* 21.]

March 12. 82. Petition of Capt. William Scras to the Lords of the Admiralty. Apologizes for the resistance of his servants to the arrest of his ships, and for procuring warrants to arrest the Lieutenant and gunner of Cowes Castle. Prays for his discharge out of custody, and the release of his ships.

March 12. 83. Petition of Edward Powell to the same. In August last, he had a Privy Seal for the King's moiety of the Dolphin, of Shoreham, and a warrant thereon from the late Viscount Conway, Vice-Admiral of the Isle of Wight, to Mr. Jolliff, his deputy. Jolliff had long before sold the ship, and had neglected to give petitioner satisfaction. Prays that he may be sent for.

March 12. London. 84. Sir Henry Mainwaring, Sir Paul Harris, George Fielding and Richard Dike to the same. They had called before them Sir Thomas Button, and William Davyle, his Majesty's solicitor for prize goods, and had examined the accounts concerning the true quantity of salt on board the St. John, of Dunkirk, the truth of which they return therewith. *Inclosed,*

84. I. *There was on board when the ship was taken about* 90 *lasts of salt and* 24 *hogsheads of aqua vitæ. Sir Thomas Button acknowledges to have taken out* 30 *lasts of salt, which he sold for* 89*l.* *The rest of the lading he delivered to Capt. Button to be delivered to the Bristol Commissioners, who received about* 50 *tons of salt and* 15 *hogsheads of aqua vitæ.*

March 12. 85. Copy of a postscript to the warrant of Montjoy Earl of Newport, for his pay as Rear-Admiral of the Fleet employed to Rochelle. A former warrant had been granted which was said to be lost. The object of the postscript was to prevent the payment of both warrants.

March 12. 86. Draft of the same postscript.

[March 12.] 87. Charles Willis to Sir Francis Nethersole. Sends a petition to the Queen of Bohemia, which he prays Sir Francis to second. *Underwritten,*

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87. I. *Matthew de Quester to Sir Francis Nethersole. Prays him to recommend the suit contained in the petition before mentioned. London,* 1631, *March* 12. *Inclosed,*

87. II. *Petition of Charles Willis to Elizabeth Queen of Bohemia. Prays her to write to the Governors of the Charter House to admit petitioner's son, John Willis, as a scholar.*

87. III. *Form of letter suggested to be written by the Queen of Bohemia to the Governors of the Charter House in accordance with the above petition.*

87. IV. *Similar form of letter to be written by the Queen of Bohemia to Sir Robert Dallington, Master of the Charter House, requesting his furtherance to her request.*

March 13. Docquet of release to James Levingston. [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 8.]

March 13. The like of warrant to the Secretaries of State for letters to certain foreign princes, to be written by Edward Norgate. [*See* 1631, *March* 10, *No.* 67.]

March 13. Warrant to deliver to Gregory Granger, one of his Majesty's huntsmen, certain parcels of stuff yearly, for his livery. [*Docquet.*]

March 13. 88. Justices of Peace of the Isle of Wight to the Council. Report the store and price of corn, and the measures taken by them to reduce its price, and carry into execution the laws for relief of the poor.

March 13. 89. Abstract of Statutes for reforming the abuses of unlawful fishing.

March 13. 90. Account of sums paid into the Exchequer as loans for the public service, distinguishing such as have been repaid. Among the sums and persons mentioned are, in Easter Term, in the fourth year of the reign, Cornelius Vermuyden, 10,000*l.*; Viscount Bayning, 20,000*l.*; Viscount Campden, 2,500*l.*; Lord Dunsmore, 2,000*l.*; Sir William Courteen, 3,000*l.* Easter Term, in the sixth year, Sir James Bagg, 12,000*l.*; Thomas Isaak, of Devon, 1,500*l.*; 23 Dec. 1630, Sir James Bagg, 2,000*l.*; 2 March 1631, Sir John Hippisley, 1,000*l.*; 7 March, Burlamachi, 2,000*l.*, and 13 March, 2,000*l.*

March 14. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Horace Lord Vere, 5,000*l.*, in satisfaction of his accounts for disbursements for provisions for the army in the pay of the late King in the Palatinate, whereof Lord Vere was General, and also for his pay on that occasion. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 63.]

March 14. Docquet of the same.

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March 14. Westminster. Warrant to pay to René Augier and Henry De Vic, remaining in France for the King's service, 120*l.*, due for port and postage of letters. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 64.]

March 14. Docquet of the same.

March 14. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Susanna, Countess of Denbigh, 250*l.* for a faucet diamond ring, taken up by her for the King's service. [*Ibid., No.* 65.]

March 14. Docquet of the same.

March 14. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Lewis Richard, Master of the Music to the late Queen Anne, and the present Queen, 800*l.*, for breeding up two youths by direction of the said late Queen. [*Ibid., No.* 66.]

March 14. Docquet of the same.

March 14. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Robert Anstruther, Ambassador Extraordinary to the Emperor and other princes of Germany, 647*l.*, for his extraordinary expenses in his employment to Ratisbon. [*Ibid., No.* 67.]

March 14. Docquet of the same.

March 14. Westminster. Commission to Bishops Laud and Neile, Sir Henry Marten, Judge of the Admiralty, Sir Nathaniel Brent, and William Sammes, and Hugh Barker, Doctors of Law, to hear and determine a suit for dilapidations, to be brought by Bishop White, of Norwich, against Archbishop Harsnet of York, his predecessor in the see of Norwich. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 68.]

March 14. Docquet of the same.

March 14. Westminster. Grant to Stephen Smyth, of the offices of Avenor, Escheator, and Feodary, within the Duchy of Cornwall, void by the forfeiture of Robert Langdon. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 69.]

March 14. Docquet of the same.

March 14. Warrant to the Lord Treasurer to pay to Sir John Harvey, Governor of Virginia, 500*l.* for transportation, and 1,000*l.* per annum for entertainment, out of the customs and duties of tobacco and other goods imported from Virginia. [*Docquet.*]

March 14. The like to pay to Walter Montagu, 1,100*l.* for his Majesty's secret service in France. [*Docquet.*]

March 14. 91. Note of timber suggested to be taken out of certain of the King's woods, for repair of Chertsey Bridge.

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March 14. Kempston. 92. William Cater, Sheriff of co. Bedford, to the Council. Sends certificate of Justices of Peace of that county, respecting the prices of grain. *Inclosed,*

92. I. *Certificate above mentioned. The markets are sufficiently provided; wheat at* 8*s.* 6*d.* 1631, *March* 12.

March 14. Portsmouth. 93. Capt. Richard Plumleigh to the Lords of the Admiralty. Would readily obey their order to bring the Convertive to Chatham, and by the way to put a bark into Dunkirk; but he has now on board but 16 days' provision, and the wind is come up northerly. The readiest way will be to fit up the Henrietta or the First Whelp, either of which he would see furnished with 8 days' victual out of the Convertive. But if they pitch on the Convertive, they must give order for 14 days' victual at the least.

March 14. Portsmouth. 94. The same to Nicholas. Thanks for his good wishes, but he is 360*l.* in debt more than when he undertook the employment. Hopes his Majesty will give him means to breathe in his service. Comments on the subject of the preceding letter, and begs speedy directions.

March 14. Portsmouth. 95. The same to Sir Francis Cottington. Recapitulates the reasons against his going to Dunkirk, and the suggestion in his letter of this date to the Lords of the Admiralty.

March 14. On board the Tenth Whelp, Portsmouth Harbour. 96. Capt. Sidrack Gibbon to [Nicholas]. Capt. Plumleigh having order to convoy some bark to Dunkirk, has sent his officers aboard Gibbon's vessel, to know whether she would be sufficient. She is not thought fit by reason of her weakness, but if the King will adventure the ship, Gibbon and his company will adventure their lives. Or there are the First and Third Whelps, either of which may be fitted with men out of the Tenth, and with victuals out of the Convertive.

March 15. Westminster. Grant to Hugh Justice, of the office of Serjeant Plumber to the King. Lat. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 70.]

March 15. 97. Bishop Howson, of Durham, to Bishop Laud. Has given order for singing the Nicene Creed. Sends the previous orders given by him, which he submits to Bishop Laud's correction. Mr. Cosin has sent him certain Articles entitled "The conditions whereupon the Prebendaries offer agreement with the Dean." The first five the writer settled by the Statutes of the Church, the two last were referred to a chapter-meeting, but only three of the prebendaries appeared and nothing was done. The writer then added a few more orders, which if Bishop Laud finds cause Bishop Howson will review. He has provided for uniformity of service according to the ancient use of that Church, before the late alterations which have bred all these quarrels. Has just received a letter from Bishop Laud. Reserves himself for a further answer.

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March 16. Docquet of grant to Hugh Justice. [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 15.]

March 16. Warrant to the Officers of the Household to pay to Arthur Dodington, one of the Grooms of the Privy Chamber in ordinary to the Queen, 20*l.* per annum for wages and entertainment. [*Docquet.*]

March 16. Warrant to the Great Wardrobe, to deliver to Thomas Langhorne, his Majesty's skinner, certain cloth and other things for a livery yearly. [*Docquet.*]

March 16. 98. Justices of Peace for co. Hertford to the Council. Report their proceedings respecting corn in the Hundreds of Edwinstree and Odsey. Their strict looking to the markets is an occasion that the markets are the smaller, the corn dearer, and new shifts and devices found out to prevent doing of good, which they cannot suddenly meet withall. Barley being the poor man's bread corn in those parts, they have restrained the making of malt. Wheat is 8*s.* 6*d.* per bushel.

March 16. Basle. 99. Doctor Wolgang Mayer to Sec. Dorchester. Prays him to furnish some pecuniary relief to the writer's son, who, although admitted to the Bachelors' table at Trinity College, Cambridge, requires, as the writer learns from Mr. Shirley his tutor, 20*l.* per annum for other expenses. He is now 12*l.* in debt. Urgently intreats his aid. Lat.

March 16. Whitehall. 100. Lords of the Admiralty to Capt. John Mennes. Michael Cornelius Kint, Captain of the St. Peter of Rotterdam, has lately taken many ships belonging to his Majesty's subjects contrary to the league with the United Provinces. If the St. Peter shall come near Capt. Mennes, he is to make stay of her until further order.

March 16. The same to Sir Thomas Button, Admiral of ships employed on the coast of Ireland. To pursue his instructions formerly given by their Lordships. [*Minute. See Vol.* clvii., *p.* 114 *b.*]

March 16. 101. Sir Miles Fleetwood to the Committee of the Council of War. At his son's leaving England to serve the King of Sweden, he directed a servant of Sir Miles to receive two sums unpaid him in the Denmark service, 50*l.* for raising his company, and 89*l.* for conduct money, but no part of the same has been received. Prays them to direct the amounts to be paid to him, and then he shall be ready to give satisfaction to the petitioner; *see No.* 48.

March 16. 102. Thomas Thornhill to the Lords of the Admiralty. Particular of grievances under which Thornhill daily suffers, to the great damage of his Majesty's service and to Thornhill's loss. They consist in endeavours made to prevent the search for saltpetre, by laying soap ashes on the earth, paving cellars with stone, or filling them with gravel.

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March 17. Westminster. Grant of denization to John Manikee, Daniel Cannon, Peter Vendrick, Nicholas Bouchard, and Anne Mehoult, with proviso that they shall pay customs as strangers. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 71.]

March 17. Westminster. Warrant to pay Sir William Uvedall, Treasurer of the Chamber, 783*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, to be paid to certain of the Queen's servants for apparelling her Majesty's houses in 1627, 1628, 1629, and 1630. [*Ibid., No.* 72.]

March 17. Westminster. Grant to Richard Ledesham of the keeping of the King's wardrobe, at Greenwich, with the fee of 8*d.* per diem for himself, 4*d.* for his servant, and 3*l.* per annum for wood and coals for airing the stuff. [*Ibid., No.* 73.]

March 17. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Henry Vane, Comptroller of the Household, 400*l.*, for secret service during his late embassy to the United Provinces. [*Ibid., No.* 74.]

March 17. 103. Sir Henry Marten to the King. Reports the facts relating to a Portuguese prize brought into Dartmouth by a ship of Middleburgh, acting under a commission from the Prince of Orange. The owners alleged that she had been rescued by a Dunkirker, but the proof seems to be otherwise, and they now rely on a clause in the last treaty with Spain that no favour is to be yielded to the enemies of that country. The writer reminds the King that in the treaty of Southampton, of 1625, there is an express clause that the States may bring their prizes into the King's harbours. It may be thought hard to deprive them of that liberty without notice.

March 17. 104. Petition of Sir George Paul to the King. On surrendering the office in the King's Bench, which he held under the late Duke of Buckingham, he was put in hope of obtaining a dispensation to exempt him from shrievalty and other services. In consideration whereof, and of his infirmities, being about 68 years of age, he prays for a grant of such dispensation. *Underwritten,*

104. I. *Reference to the Attorney General to certify whether the petitioner was freed from the services mentioned by his former office. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 17.

March 17. Hinton. 105. John Lord Poulett to Sec. Dorchester. The bearer is Mr. Mayes, who comes to solicit his own affairs, and to convey a sick child of the writer, whom he has sent to wait that good hour when, amongst others, she may receive the grace and benefit to be touched by his Majesty's blessed hands, which, if it may be hastened, may be the preservation of a poor weak child, and a great obligation to the writer's wife and himself.

March 17. St. Martin's Lane. 106. Sir William Alexander to Sec. Coke. His Majesty a month ago directed a Privy Seal to be drawn up, with a blank for a sum to be filled in by his own hand, for the Earl of Angus, in consideration of a Privy Seal which he has for part of the portion given to his son by his Majesty with the Duke of Lennox's sister.

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March 17. 107. Bishop Howson, of Durham, to Bishop Laud. Gives him an historical narration of the innovations in the service in Durham Cathedral, which began with the omission of the prayers at six in the morning, intended especially for householders and servants, and usual in other cathedrals. This alteration giving great offence, at the suit of Justice Hutton and many others, the six o'clock prayers were restored, whereupon "the innovating part" ordered the customary Morning service so, by reading more than is usually read, and by a great variety of music, that they wearied the congregation with extraordinary long service, beginning after eight of the clock, and continuing till after eleven. To remedy this the Bishop conceived that the Nicene creed might occasionally be read instead of sung, as also the petitions of the people after the ten commandments. These alterations gave general content, the people, after their own parochial services, which were early, coming by troops to the cathedral, there being no set sermon in the morning in the whole city.

March 17. 108. Observations concerning the uniformity of Common Prayer and Service in the Church of England, and administration of the Sacraments. Collected by Bishop Howson, of Durham, for his own use, and sent by him to Bishop Laud. They relate principally to the distinction between the services for Sundays and week days, and the propriety of dividing the Sunday Morning service prescribed by the Prayer Book into several parts to be read at different hours in the forenoon.

March 17. 109. Copy of the same.

March 17. 110. Estimate for the new range of buildings to be erected by Bishop Laud, at St. John's College, Oxford; total, 1,055*l.*

March 17. 111. Plan or outline of the two Quadrangles at St. John's, with note by Bishop Laud that 2,478*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* had been paid in, and that there remained to be paid 722*l.*, besides the statues in brass.

March 18. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Richard Wynn, Treasurer to the Queen, 800*l.* for her Majesty's service. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 75.]

March 18. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Francis Longston, merchant, 200*l.* due to the citizens of Stade for 16 lasts of Dantzic rye, taken up by Sir Charles Morgan, General of the forces under the King of Denmark, during the siege of that city. [*Ibid., No.* 76.]

March 18. Westminster. Grant to Serjeant Richard Ward and Anthony Lamplugh, the King's servants, of the forfeitures accruing to the Crown by the outlawry of Ferdinando Hudleston, after payment of debts. [*Ibid., No.* 77.]

March 18. 112. Petition of John Medley, armourer, to the King. Had been appointed to the office of the armoury, with 400*l.* pension for keeping

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the armoury and making new 50 horsemen's armours. Had been petitioned against by Sir Thomas Jay, Master of the Armoury, and not having been supplied with money had been unable to execute the works he undertook to do. Had received only 50*l.* of the expenditure, of which he incloses an account. Prays order that he may be supplied with money for performance of his work, and may receive a pension of 200*l.*, with authority to be surveyor of the armoury in the Tower. *Inclosed,*

112. I. *Account of expenditure of 54l. including 5l. which Sir Thomas Jay constrained Medley to lend to him.*

March 18. 113. George Rookes, Robert Grove, Robert Tockley, Elias Jurdan, and Robert Woodroffe to the Council. Complain of the capture of the James of London, and the Bride, taken by Capt. Bontemps after the peace with France, and carried into Dieppe. Solicit restitution.

March 18. 114. Notes by Nicholas of information derived from Sir Henry Marten, respecting the conservancy of the Thames, and the inefficient way in which it is managed under the Lord Mayor by the Water Bailiff. The right below bridge is in the Lord Admiral. Lord Admiral Nottingham sold his right to the City for 600*l.*, but could only sell it for his own time. [*It appears from memoranda by Nicholas, that he had been directed, probably by the Lords of the Admiralty, to make inquiries which solicited the above information.*]

March 18. 115. Petition of Captain Henry Hastings and the master and company of the Dove of Minehead to the Lords of the Admiralty. Under letters of reprisal petitioners took a Spanish carvel on the 3rd Dec. last. She was sent home, but by foul weather was driven into Limerick, where she was seized and the crew treated as pirates. Pray warrant for redelivery of the carvel and restitution of her cargo.

March 18. 116. Petition of Capt. William Scras to Lord Treasurer Weston. Has made contempt by disobeying two warrants out of the Court of Admiralty and approving the arrest of the Lieutenant and gunner of Cowes Castle of which the Lord Treasurer is Governor. Craves pardon and discharge.

March 18. Nicholas to Sir Fulke Greville. On submission of Capt. Scras, the Lord Treasurer and the Earl of Dorset are pleased that he and his ships shall be discharged. [*Copy. Nicholas's Letter Book, p.* 92.]

March 18. 117. Account of sums owing to the Levant Company for impositions. Total 3,932*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.*

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March 19. Westminster. Warrant to the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex to deliver Edward Marlyn, condemned prisoner in Newgate, to Captain Lodovic Hamilton to transport him into the State of Venice. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 78.]

March 19. Westminster. Grant of privilege to Stephen Gibbes for 14 years, of his invention for defence of marsh lands from the sea and for making useful decayed havens, rendering to the Crown 20*s.* per annum. [*Ibid., No.* 79.]

March 19. Westminster. Grant to John Newnam of the benefit of three bonds of 200*l.* forfeited by George Hoyte, Richard Payne, and Peter Payne, and their sureties, for not appearing in the Star Chamber, one-third being reserved to the Crown. [*Ibid., No.* 80.]

March 19. Westminster. Confirmation upon petition of Sir Roger Manners, of laws made by virtue of a commission issued in the 42nd year of Queen Elizabeth for survey of the marsh lands, co. Lincoln. The same having been confirmed by the late King. [*Ibid., No.* 81.]

March 19. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Christopher Favell 1,000*l.* for two diamond pendants sold to the King in April last, with interest of the same until payment. [*Ibid., No.* 82.]

March 19. Albury. 1. Sir Thomas Hide, Sheriff of co. Buckingham, to the Council. Certificate of the names of the Justices of Peace for various divisions of the county, with a view to the execution of the Statutes for relief of the poor.

March 19. Albury. 2. The same to the same. Sends certificate of the Justices of Peace for the borough of Buckingham respecting the provision of corn and regulation of the markets. *Inclosed,*

2. I. *The certificate above mentioned. Markets indifferently well furnished. Wheat* 8*s. the bushel.* 1631, *March* 6.

March 19. Whitehall. 3. Sec. Dorchester to Thomas Covell, Chief Keeper of Lancaster Gaol. Warrant to deliver the body of Edward Ditchfield to Richard Wainwright, one of his Majesty's messengers, to be conveyed before the Council. [*Unsigned.*]

March 19. Mildenhall. 4. Dr. Richard Steward to Sec. Dorchester. Had he not received the Sec's. letter would have ventured upon an excuse to the Lord Chamberlain. Cannot like the manner of this employment, because it lies too open to a censure. Thanks for the Sec's. advice.

March 19. 5. Petition of Capt. Thomas March to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Fourth Lion's Whelp being safe returned and delivered at Chatham, he prays letters to the Mayors of Lynn and Boston to call such as are behind in payment before them to give present satisfaction, or shew cause why they should not perform their agreement.

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March 19. 6. Petition of Hannibal Bonithon to the Lords of the Admiralty. Presents his reasons, reference, report and certificates, and having for 14 weeks together attended the Board, implores them to settle him in his command.

March 19. 7. Certificate of Justices of the Peace for co. Huntingdon, addressed to the Sheriff of the same county, as to the inclosures in the Hundred of Norman Cross. Mary Countess Dowager of Westmoreland has inclosed part of her manor of Woodstone; ——— Laurence and John Martiall have divided between them the Lordship of Woodwalton; William Fimmore has inclosed 13 acres in the fields of Yaxley.

March 19. 8. Account of armours delivered out of the office of Ordnance for sundry his Majesty's services since the last general remain ended 13 May 1620.

March 20. Docquet of grant to Stephen Gibbes. [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 19.]

March 20. Docquet of grant to John Newnam. [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 19.]

March 20. Docquet of warrant to deliver Edward Marlyn out of Newgate. [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 19.]

March 20. Licence to Patrick Maule, a Groom of the Bedchamber, to take partridges for his Majesty in any place within England. [*Docquet.*]

March 20. Docquet of warrant to pay to Francis Longston 200*l.* [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 18.]

March 20. Docquet of warrant to pay to Christopher Favell 1,000*l.* [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 19.]

March 20. Docquet of warrant to pay to Sir John Wake 60*l.* [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 21.]

March 20. Docquet of grant to the town of Tenby, of confirmation of their ancient charters. [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 21.]

March 20. Docquet of confirmation of laws made by a Commission for surveying the marsh lands in co. Lincoln. [*See Sign Man.* 1631, *March* 19.]

March 20. The Downs, 12 at Night. 9. Captain John Mennes to Nicholas. Has arrived in the Downs with loss of his long boat in a very hard gale of wind. Is informed by a Dartmouth man that Downes the pirate is in Torbay, and has exchanged his own vessel for that of a Scot whom he took.

March 20. 10. Certificate of Justices of the Peace for co. Suffolk, as to the measures taken by them for keeping down the price of corn in the Liberty of St. Ethelred. Rye is now 6*s.* 8*d.* the bushel, and wheat 8*s.*

March 20. 11. Bond of Drew Lovett, citizen and goldsmith of London, to the King, in 100*l.*, conditioned for the appearance of George Popham of London, gent., before Sec. Dorchester on 30 days' notice.

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March 21. Westminster. Warrant to the Commissioners of the King's revenue while Prince of Wales, and to Francis Phillips, Auditor, and Aden Parkens, Receiver General, of co. Northampton, to pay to Sir John Wake 60*l.*, an arrear of 40*l.* per annum, assigned to him by the late Duke of Buckingham, together with the office of Lieutenant of the forest of Salcey, co. Northampton. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 83.]

March 21. Westminster. Grant to the town of Tenby, co. Pembroke, of a confirmation of their ancient charters, with an enlargement of the privileges thereby conferred. [*Ibid., No.* 84.]

March 21. 12. Justices of Peace of co. Suffolk, to the Council. Their regulations have lowered the price of corn in those parts, but most unhappily Samuel Puckle of Norwich, falsely pretending great plenty of buck and small use thereof made by the poor, has got a licence for transporting 100 lasts, by which they understand 1,100 quarters of buckweed, or buckwheat as it is termed in their Lordships' order, to be laden at Yarmouth for Rotterdam. To see their bread thus taken from them and sent to strangers has turned the impatience of the poor into licentious fury and desperation. They come in great troops to the writers telling them they must needs starve if this corn, which only they were able to buy, be taken from them. The knowledge of it has raised the price to 6 or 7 shillings a quarter, and brought up wheat and rye to the old rates. Pray a restraint of the meditated export, and punishment of Puckle for his false pretences.

March 21. Yarmouth. 13. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the same. Samuel Puckle, mentioned above, had applied to export his 100 lasts of buckweed, but the writers having received strict command by the Book of Orders, and late directions from the Lord Chief Justice, to be careful to make provision for the poor, and not to permit exportation, and since then the scarcity having been discovered to be far greater than was expected, so that many families of good sort have no other bread than such as is made of buckweed, and that not plentiful, yea and the poor people laying violent hands on boatmen suspected of bringing in corn for exportation, the writers have forborne the lading of the said grain, until their Lordships were acquainted therewith.

March 21. Totness. 14. Dep. Lieuts. of Devon to the Council. Ambrose Roope, of Little Dartmouth, in that county, serves with arms proportionable to his estate.

March 21. 15. Officers of the Navy and Masters of the Trinity House to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having conferred on the propositions of Sir Thomas Button, they think that above 60 men are not fit to be allowed in the Whelps. They should incline to reduce them to 50. It may be useful to have four murderers in each of these vessels, and to change two of the demi-cannons into light minions.

March 21. 16. Bishop Howson of Durham to Bishop Laud. Begs him not to conceive that he is so wickedly base-minded as to wrong any man for his friend's quarrel, and that he is of the same constant

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affection towards God, the King, and the Church, and the whole doctrine and discipline thereof, as he has been from the beginning, and that he never intends *deficere in extremo actu.*

March 21. 17. Differences between the hatred of God and man, signed "John Archer," and, *indorsed by Bishop Laud, "Mr. Archer's "second part of his catechism, as himself avows it."* [*See* 1631, *March* 9, *Vol.* clxxxvi., *No.* 64.]

March 22. 18. Form of renewed commissions sent into all the counties in England and Wales, to compound with such persons as are to make fine for not appearing at the coronation, to receive the order of knighthood, with lists of the commissioners to whom the commissions were severally directed. [*Copy.*]

March 22. 19. Petition of Charles Griffith, prisoner in co. Montgomery, to the King. On 13 Oct. last, there happened an affray at Newton between John Owen and a stranger. Petitioner did his best to part them, but John Owen was killed. Petitioner being indicted for murder, the jury could not agree, whereupon the judges discharged them, and bound some of the prosecutors and jury over to appear in the Court of the Marches, where they were fined for their malicious prosecution. Prays that the judges may certify the facts, and the petitioner be relieved. *Underwritten,*

19. I. *Reference to the Judges of Assize to certify the nature of the offence, and whether they consider the prisoner capable of mercy. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 22.

19. II. *Sir John Bridgeman and Sir Marmaduke Lloyd, the Judges of Assize before whom petitioner was tried, to the King. Report the circumstances as above stated, with addition that, during the second night the jury were locked up, two brothers of the party slain, and others of his friends delivered cloaks, burnt sack, &c., to the jurors who were inclined to find petitioner guilty, adding that they would have blood for blood.*

March 22. 20. Sir John Cæsar to the Council. Report of facts proved in reference to the complaint of John Baker against Daniel Smith and Thomas Smith, of Barley, co. Herts. The case being referred to arbitration, the umpire ultimately awarded 25*l.*, to be paid by the Smiths to Baker on the 1st Dec. last, which they had refused to pay.

[March 22.] 21. Certificate of Sir John Cæsar and various persons resident in and near Barley in Herts, that Daniel Smith is a very contentious and unquiet person, to the great trouble and vexation of his neighbours.

March 22. Bramford. 22. John Acton, Sheriff of Suffolk, to the Council. The Justices of Peace certify that much good has ensued from their labours in reference to the price of corn, yet by reason of the scarcity it is

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much increased in price this month. Wheat, 3*l.* 4*s.* to 3*l.* 12*s.* per quarter; rye, 53*s.* 4*d.* to 56*s.*; barley, 36*s.* to 40*s.*; oats, 20*s.* to 21*s.* 4*d.*

March 22. 23. Certificate of Justices of the Peace for co. Dorset, that the markets for the division of Dorchester have been generally supplied with corn; wheat is now 7*s.* or 7*s.* 6*d.*

March 22. Minutes of proceedings of Committee of Council of War. The cases dealt with were those of Serjeant William Tyler, Capt. Emanuel Gilpin, and Capt. Richard Ouseley. In the last case, the Committee recommended Burlamachi, if he had not yet made up his grand account to his Majesty for those monies, in charity to the petitioner to procure him payment of 130*l.*, certified by Dalbier to be due to him. [*See* 1631, *March* 7., *Vol.* clxxxvi., *No.* 47.]

March 22. 24. Samuel Dores and others to the Lords of the Admiralty. Certify that Henry Cowdall is able to take charge as master of one of the King's ships. [*Sec. Dorchester recommended him by an indorsement for master of the St. Claude, but he was appointed boatswain of the Convertive.*]

March 22. Office of Ordnance. 25. Account of armours received into the Ordnance office from several persons, since the last general remain ended 13 May 1620.

March 23. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Robert Karr 1,000*l.* for supply of the Privy Purse. [*Prepared in blank. The sum inserted by the King. Sign Man., Car. I., Vol.* xii., *No.* 85.]

March 23. Westminster. Protection to Sir Thos. Bludder for one year. [*Ibid., No.* 86.]

[March 23.] 26. Petition of Sir Guilford Slingsby, Comptroller of the Navy, to the King. The King has signified his pleasure that petitioner should be relieved. The prize ship he first sued for was previously disposed of. The St. Claude, moved by his late petition, is found serviceable for the Narrow Seas. He now states that it has been the ancient custom for all his predecessors, until Sir Henry Palmer, to be Admirals of the Narrow Seas. That has been conferred on Sir Henry Mervyn, but the Vice-Admiral's place is void. Prays a grant of the same to himself and his son.

March 23. 27. The same to Sec. Dorchester. Prays his support to the preceding petition. It has been a custom, or rather a privilege of his predecessors, ever since Sir David Port, the first Comptroller of the Navy, until Sir Henry Palmer, his immediate predecessor. They have all, or the most part, been Admirals of the Narrow Seas. The place he now seeks for is so mean that his Majesty cannot but conceive that necessity has compelled him to embrace it.

March 24. Capt. John Mennes to Nicholas. Sends him copy of a MS. written by Sir William Monson, relating to certain transactions be-

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tween the Hollanders and Dunkirkers in 1604, when Sir William was Admiral of the Narrow Seas, similar to circumstances likely to occur at the present time. Begs Nicholas to acquaint the Lords therewith and procure the writer directions how to act in the like case. [*See* DOMESTIC *Eliz.*, 1591. *Vol. of Admiralty Collections, fol.* 100 *b.*]

March 24. Nottingham. 28. Justices of Peace for co. Nottingham to the Council. Report their proceedings in order to keep down the price of corn. Barley now about 5*s.* the strike. A good quantity of corn has been brought into the county by the river Trent, and they hope that in summer time, when coal carriages come into their country for coals, they will bring corn with them.

March 24. Blackfriars. 29. William Ryley to [perhaps Sir William Segar, Garter, or some other member of the College of Arms]. Sends him a draft of letter to be corrected. *Prefixed,*

29. I. *The College of Arms or some of its members to Thos. Earl of Arundel and Surrey, Earl Marshal. At request of William Ryley, Rougecross Pursuivant Extraordinary, they certify that all officers of arms heretofore have had coats of arms allowed them by the King's warrant to the Master of the Great Wardrobe. Such warrants are to be recommended to the King by the Earl Marshal.* [*Draft.*]

March 25. Westminster. Grant to Lewis le Mire of the office of Apothecary to the Prince, with the fee of 40*l.* per annum, surrendered by John Wolfgang Rumler, apothecary to the late Queen Anne. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xiii., *No.* 1.]

March 25. Whitehall. Proclamation for the better direction of those who desire to repair to the Court for the cure of their disease, called the king's evil. [*A republication of the proclamation on this subject of* 6 *April* 1630, *with an additional clause allusive to the danger of having any concourse of people "in this spring or summer time," to have resort to London, the Court, or the Royal person. Coll. Procs., Car. I., No.* 140.]

March 25. Whitehall. Further proclamation prohibiting the exportation of corn and grain. [*Ibid., No.* 141.]

March 25. 30. Petition of Thomas Hutchins, post of Crewkerne, to the Council. Petitioner is now in prison on the information of Serjeant Ranulph Church, paymaster to the posts, which he will prove untrue. Prays the Lords to send to the Marshalsea that petitioner may come to the Board to his answer, and the rather because the Lord Treasurer has promised that all the posts should have some relief the latter end of this month. [*Ordered to be released this day. Co. Reg., Car. I., Vol.* vi., *p.* 414.]

March 25. 31. Sec. Dorchester to [Sir Henry Marten]. Mons. Joachimi is full of anxiety in regard of the Portugal prize. Some officers of Sir

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Henry's court have informed him of a stop, and that Sir Henry has a purpose to leave the town on Monday, before the cause receive an end. The King has given the Sec. commandment to assure Joachimi that there shall be no delay that he shall have cause to complain of, and that Sir Henry shall not stir out of the town till it be ended. [*Draft.*]

March 25. Newport, Isle of Wight. 32. Richard Jolliff to Nicholas. Received a letter from Mr. Goodwin, one of the Masters attendant at Portsmouth, that there was lost one of his Majesty's long boats at the Isle of Wight, in relieving a Dutch man-of-war. For satisfaction thereof the writer has detained certain goods of the Dutch ship. Prays him to acquaint the Lord Treasurer therewith, he being Governor of the island, that when the States Ambassador sends his warrant for the goods, the writer may know what to demand, and by what warrant, he not being now Deputy Vice-Admiral as he was in the time of Lord Conway.

March 25. The Downs. 33. Captain John Mennes to the same. Has received order to intercept the St. Peter of Rotterdam, but is altogether unprovided of victuals. Prays supply, and desires to know whether he may go in search of the St. Peter to Gouries Gatt, on the coast of Holland.

March 25. 34. Receipt for 6*l.* half year's rent of [Barkham], where Nicholas's brother, William Hunton, lives.

March 25. 35. List of Justices of Peace for co. Salop, with their several divisions for execution of the orders respecting the laws for relief of the poor.

March 25. Barrington. 36. Justices of Peace for co. Somerset to the Sheriff of the same county. Report their execution of the orders respecting corn and relief of the poor in the five hundreds of their division of the county. Wheat is now at 9*s.* the bushel.

March 26. Westminster. Warrant to pay to James Gaultier, Frenchman, 175*l.*, due upon a former Privy Seal, as also an annuity of 100*l.* per annum. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xiii., *No.* 2.]

March 26. Westminster. 37. The King to the several Collectors under the commissions for compounding with those who did not receive the order of knighthood at the coronation. Sends the commission, and instructions, from which they are not to depart to the King's disadvantage. [*Copy.*]

March 26. Stafford. 38. William Wollaston, Sheriff of co. Stafford, to the Council. Reports abatement in the price of corn and the continual care of the Justices.

March 26. 39. Justices of Peace for Essex to the Council. Exhaustion of the stock of corn, and consequent failure of supply in the markets, and rise of prices, "tending to scarcity."

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March 26. Acrise. 40. Sir Robert Lewkenor, Sheriff of Kent, to the Council. Sends list of Justices of Peace, with their several divisions, for execution of Statutes for relief of the poor, and one report touching the business of corn. *Inclosed,*

40. I. *List of Justices of Peace above mentioned.*

40. II. *Sir John Honeywood to Sir Robert Lewkenor. Reports his care of the markets in the Lathe of Shepway: wheat is 6s. 6d. per bushel. Elmstead,* 1631, *Feb.* 4.

March 26. 41. Mary Countess of Westmoreland to Sec. Dorchester. Hears that Lord Holland is to be Justice in Oyer on this side Trent. Begs him to instruct her how to address herself, that her son may not miss the command of the Forest of Rockingham.

March 26. Newport, Isle of Wight. 42. Sir Edward Denys to Nicholas. Francis Moundeford, an attorney of that island, has been served with a warrant to appear before the Council, for suing out process against two of his Majesty's servants, of Cowes Castle, he being in London at the time, and not conceiving that they were the King's servants. Being ill and unfit for travel, prays that his attendance may be spared until next term.

March 26. 43. John Grymesdych to Sir Francis Cottington. Having considered Sir Bevis Thelwall's speech of yesterday, the writer desires Sir Francis to propound to the Lord Treasurer, that if it be his Majesty's pleasure that the writer should go on with the service for one year, he will undertake to bring the expense within the compass of the 16,000*l.* a year, to give all men satisfaction, and reduce the office to its former splendour, provided he may be enabled to examine persons on oath, whom he fears abuse the King's service, and may be appointed a convenient lodging in the empty part of the Wardrobe House.

March 26. Whitehall. 44. Sir Robert Aiton to Sir Francis Nethersole. Disposed himself to do all the service in his power to the two gentlemen that he recommended to Sir Robert, but he saw neither of them whilst they were here. If any other occasion occur of the like kind, will be more careful to make it appear that the Queen, Sir Francis's mistress, hath not here any creature more devoted to her than Sir Robert.

March 26. 45. Declaration how the account of Sir Francis Willoughby for his past services now stands, with a memorandum underwritten that it was this day discharged in full by a payment to William Lake of 395*l.*

March 26. 46. List of various letters patent granted during the sixth year of King Charles I., which ended this day; it contains notes of the following grants:—

14 March 1631. To Elizabeth, Countess of Anglesea; a pension of 1,000*l.* per annum.

4 Dec. 1630. „ Robert Lord Brooke and others, incorporation as Governor and Company of Adventurers of West-

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minster for the plantation of the Islands of Providence, Henrietta, and adjacent islands lying on the coast of America.

13 Aug. 1630. To Edward Ball, Edward Lastelle, and others; licence to prepare peat by reducing it to a coal, that it shall serve for melting iron, boiling salt, and burning brick.

20 May „ „ Edward Barnard; to be upper porter in the Tower of London.

22 July „ „ George Burroughs; to be a gunner in the Tower of London.

1 July „ „ John Banks; to be Attorney General of Charles Prince of Wales.

27 April „ „ Archbishop Harsnet, of York, and others; commission to hear and determine a cause between William Cowland and John Senhouse, and others.

1 Feb. 1631. „ Sir Julius Cæsar, Master of the Rolls, and others; commission to hear causes in Chancery.

15 April 1630. „ Henry Earl of Manchester, and others; commission to execute the office of Justice in Eyre on this side Trent.

4 June „ „ Lord Treasurer Weston, and others; commission to compound for the estates of recusants convict.

18 March 1631. „ The same, and others; commission to view what quantity of money, armour, and ordnance, were in the hands of the officers, and to take their accounts.

25 March 1631. „ Archbishop Harsnet, of York, Lord Keeper Coventry, and others; commission to use ecclesiastical power for reformation of errors, heresies, and other enormities.

2 Oct. 1630. „ John Copley; licence to make salt from sea water, without pans or furnaces.

21 Dec. „ „ Archbishop Abbot and others; commission to compound with creditors of poor prisoners.

5 Jan. 1631. „ The same, and others; commission to inquire how the statutes for relief of the poor are put in execution.

14 Dec. 1630. „ Anthony Wyther and Sam. Lyveley; commission to inquire how the statutes for true clothmaking are put in execution.

25 May „ „ Patrick Craford and Matthew Birkenhead; to be clerks for entering passes to persons embarking from Bristol and other western ports.

23 Nov. „ „ Matthew Clyfford; to be a gunner in the Tower of London.

8 Dec. „ „ Lord Treasurer Weston, Thos. Earl of Arundel, and others; commission to set down courses for maintenance of fishing on the coasts of Scotland and Ireland.

19 Nov. „ „ Mayors and officers of the ports; commission to minister an oath to all passengers beyond seas, except merchants.

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12 Oct.	1630.	To Sir Kenelm Digby; to be a principal officer of the navy.
2 Oct.	„	„ Henry Earl of Manchester and others; commission to take a view of all the books and writings of Sir Robert Cotton, and to take special note of such as may concern the King.
5 Aug.	„	„ Sir Thomas Aylesbury and others; commission to view the King's ships at Chatham, and set down a course for making them ready for service.
24 July	„	„ Thomas Lord Coventry, Lord Treasurer Weston, and others; commission to inquire what houses have been erected in London since 13 Jac. contrary to any proclamation.
13 July	„	„ Archbishop Harsnet, Lord Treasurer Weston, and others; commission to make leases of recusants' lands, and to find out what chattels are forfeited to the King.
1 July	„	„ Lord Keeper Coventry and others; commission to examine Thomas Fitz, and to discover what beaver skins or other goods were brought in by Capt. Kirke.
16 April	„	„ Clement Cotton; licence for sole imprinting a brief concordance of the Holy Scriptures.
22 July	„	„ Lebbe Crofts; to be a gunner in the Tower of London.
10 March	1631.	„ Lord Treasurer Weston and Sir Francis Cottington; to farm the Queen's and King's fines for licences of alienation in the Chancery.
11 May	1630.	„ Officers of Customs at Bristol, Mayor and Recorder of Beaumaris, and others; to take the oath of all passengers going beyond seas.
14 Jan.	1631.	„ Edward Earl of Dorset; to be Constable of Beaumaris.
10 Jan.	„	„ Sir Humphrey Davenport; to be Chief Baron of the Exchequer.
29 Nov.	1630.	„ Sir Dudley Digges; to be Master of the Rolls in reversion.
7 March	1631.	„ Abraham Dawes and others; to farm all manner of customs.
2 April	1630.	„ John Edwards; to be lecturer in Greek in the University of Oxford in reversion.
30 July	„	„ Thomas Francke; licence to use a new devised instrument for draining mines and low grounds.
10 April	„	„ Sir James Fullerton; to have the forfeiture of recognizances of Andrew Hoskyns, Thomas Webb, and others, as also their fines in the Star Chamber for riots in Gillingham Forest.
4 Dec.	„	„ Sir Gilbert Gerard, John Gourdon, Gregory Gawsell, John Graunt, and others; incorporation, as Governor and Company of Adventurers of Westminster for the Plantation of the islands of Providence and Henrietta, and adjacent islands lying on the coast of America.

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10 March 1631.	To Gregory Granger; to be one of the yeomen prickers of the privy harriers.
13 Jan. „	„ Francis Gardiner; to be one of the under-keepers of the park of Theobalds.
13 Jan. „	„ The same; a pension of 50*l.* per annum.
14 Oct. 1630.	„ Edward Greene; to be head engraver of the irons for coinage in the Tower of London.
13 July „	„ George Lord Goring; to be Secretary, Clerk of the Signet, and Clerk of the Council, for the Principality of Wales.
14 July „	„ Sir John Gibson; the farm of the alum works in cos. Dorset and York.
26 March „	„ Stephen Gibbes; licence to put in practice a peculiar art for defence of marsh lands against the sea and the fresh surrounding.
22 Jan. 1631.	„ Sir Arthur Ingram, to have 725*l.* 3*s.* 2¾*d.*
1 Feb. „	„ Humphrey Jones and Evan Jones; the office of receiver of all rents in co. Palatine of Chester in reversion.
7 July 1630.	„ George Kirke; to be Gentleman of the King's robes.
20 April „	„ James Levingston; farm of fees for sealing sixpenny writs, under the yearly rent of 1,000*l.*
9 Nov. „	„ Governor and Company of the merchants trading to the East Indies; licence to transport 30,000*l.* in foreign gold.
29 July „	„ William Loving; to have three parts in four of money forfeited for not returning true certificates of what corn has been transported into parts beyond the seas.
29 July „	„ The same; to be upper porter in the Tower.
15 July „	„ Margaret Lady Mennes; a pension of 200*l.*
26 July „	„ Christopher Metcalfe; to be General Surveyor of the Customs of tonnage and poundage in reversion.
28 Feb. 1631.	„ Thomas Mainwaring; to be master of the hospital of St. John Baptist, in Chester, in reversion.
3 June 1630.	„ Thomas Mottershed and Edward Mottershed; the office of collector of all mulcts, fines, and forfeitures.
28 Feb. 1631.	„ James Oughterlony; to be keeper and captain of Holy Island and Ferne Island.
11 Feb. „	„ Michael Parker and Edward Mainwaring; licence to set forth lotteries for raising money for bringing springs of water to London.
8 Feb. „	„ John Powell; to be one of the ordinary serjeants-at-arms.
16 Jan. „	„ Phineas Pett; to be a principal officer of the Navy, with a fee of 200*l.* per annum.
23 Nov. 1630.	„ Richard Paxford; to be a gunner in the Tower.
12 Aug. „	„ Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery; to be steward of the Duchy of Cornwall.

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14. and 15. For confirming defective titles.
16. For restraining the importation of iron wire.
17. For quickening the laws for relief of the poor.
18. For preventing the exportation of wools, fullers earth, and hides.
19. For better ordering those who repair to the Court for cure of the king's evil.

22 July 1630. To Richard Paxford; to be a gunner in the Tower.

10 Jan. 1631. „ Endymion Porter; farm of all customs and other duties on French wines.

7 March „ „ Sir Paul Pindar and others; farm of all customs and duties on goods imported or exported.

21 Jan. „ „ David Ramsey and others; the sole benefit of an engine for draining coal mines.

21 Jan. „ „ The same; licence to make saltpetre in an open field of four acres, sufficient to serve the kingdom, with other inventions and discoveries.

11 Nov. 1630. „ the same; licence to separate gold and silver from other impure metals.

5 March 1631. „ Sir William Russell to receive two fines of 500*l.* imposed on Sir Thomas Read for not performing a decree in the Chancery.

27 Apr. 1630. „ Nathaniel Reeve; to be gunner in the Tower.

24 May „ „ Sir William Russell and others; to receive impositions on velvets and other articles, until he shall have received satisfaction for money disbursed for the King's service.

17 Apr. „ „ David Ramsey; two-thirds of pirates goods in Ireland.

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11 Feb. 1631.	To Sir Edward Stradling and John Lyde;	licence to bring water to London from any spring within one mile and a half from Hoddesdon, under the rent of 4,000*l.* yearly.
15 Nov. 1630.	„ William Smyth and Thomas Lewyn;	licence to import coach horses and mares.
3 May „	„ Francis Sheldon;	to be clerk of the prick and cheque of the navy at Woolwich.
9 June „	„ Sir Ralph Sydenham;	to be surveyor of the ordnance in the Tower in reversion.
17 June „	„ Anna Stewart, Lady Saltoun;	the moiety of such reserved rents as she could discover not to have been answered to the King for ten years.
22 July „	„ John Spencer;	to be a gunner in the Tower.
7 July „	„ Giles Tompkins;	a pension of 40*l.*
28 Apr. „	„ Martin Trevor [Turner ?];	to be Comptroller of the Customs in Kingston-upon-Hull.
19 Nov. „	„ Edward Thoroughgood;	to be clerk for writing licences to persons going abroad.
11 May „	„ Robert Tirwhitt;	licence to transport 3,200 barrels of butter out of cos. Lincoln and York, for 21 years.
19 Apr. „	„ Francis Tucker and others;	licence to search for hid treasure.
28 Apr. „	„ Peter Wright and Martin Turner;	the Comptrollership of the customs in Kingston-upon-Hull.
8 Feb. 1631.	„ Lord Treasurer Weston;	to be captain of the Isle of Wight and of all castles in the said island.
8 Dec. 1630.	„ Richard Wynn and John Wynn;	the collectorship of customs in Newcastle-upon-Tyne.
22 July „	„ Rowland Woodward;	to attend ambassadors and strangers coming into the realm, in the absence of Sir John Finet.
4 Aug. „	„ Edward Viscount Wimbledon;	to be keeper and Captain of Portsmouth.
22 July „	„ John Wale;	to be a gunner in the Tower.
13 July „	„ Henry Wynn;	to be Secretary, Clerk of the Council, and Clerk of the Signet, in Wales, in reversion after Lord Goring.
10 March 1631.	„ Lord Treasurer Weston and others;	the farm of the fines for licences of alienation in Chancery.
19 March „	„ James Weston;	to be serjeant-at-law.
1 June 1630.	„ Nicholas Le Strange;	to be a baronet.
31 Oct. „	„ John Short;	to be clerk of the prick at Chatham, in reversion.
13 April „	„ Alexander Staples;	to be porter of the Minorites, or Minories, adjoining the walls of the city of London.
29 March „	„ Thomas Scafe;	to be a gunner in Carlisle.

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29 March 1630.	To Henry Starkey ; to be a gunner in the Tower.
5 Feb. 1631.	„ Lady Mary Sydenham ; a pension of 200*l.*
22 April 1630.	„ John Trevor ; the farm of all taxations and impositions upon coals.
2 April „	„ George Twisleton ; to be a baronet.
22 Aug. „	„ Simon Thelwall and others ; master of the office of revels.
29 March „	„ Thomas Trigg ; to be a gunner in the Tower.
26 Dec. „	„ Christopher Earl of Anglesea ; to be guardian of George Villiers, at the request of Lady Rebecca Villiers.
12 May „	„ John Verney and others ; to be clerks of the signet in South Wales.
29 March „	„ Edward Underwood ; to be a gunner in the Tower.
8 Dec. „	„ Mademoiselle Vantelet ; a pension of 300*l.*
24 Feb. 1631.	„ Richard Wigmore, Richard Ward, and others ; to be serjeants-at-arms.
4 July 1630.	„ George Willmer and others ; to be collectors of impositions upon tobacco.
20 Aug. „	„ Francis Williamson the elder and Francis Williamson the younger ; to be registrar of pawns made to retailing brokers.
9 June „	„ Thomas Viscount Wentworth ; to be receiver of revenues arising by the forfeitures of Popish recusants in cos. Stafford, Derby, &c.
8 June „	„ Francis Winterton and Richard Boteler ; 6,157*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*, and the arrearages of rents and fines for licences for keeping taverns or selling wine by retail.
1 June „	„ Philip Warrick [Warwick] ; to be one of the clerks of the signet in ordinary, in reversion.
13 June „	„ Thomas Wyllis ; to be clerk of the Crown in Chancery.
9 Sept. „	„ Mary Walderove ; a pension of 300*l.*
13 Feb. 1631.	„ Sir Henry Wotton ; a pension of 500*l.*
19 [Feb. 1631.]	„ Peter Young and others, gentlemen ushers in ordinary ; to have certain fees on the creation of every peer, baronet, or knight.

March 27. 47. Attorney General Heath to the King. Report on the petition of Sir George Paul. Whilst petitioner served in the King's Bench Office, which together with the Attorney General, he lately held for the Duke of Buckingham, he was discharged of the services in the petition named. It would be no ill precedent to grant his suit. *Underwritten,*

47. I. *Minute that the King grants the petitioner's request, and refers it to the Attorney General to prepare a book accordingly. Whitehall,* 1631, *April* 6.

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March 27. Ipswich. 48. Henry Dade to Nicholas. Earnestly requests him to procure a release of all actions from Sir William Withypoll to Bardwell, or otherwise a withdrawing of the actions.

March 28. Westminster. Release to William Daynes and Roger Daynes, his son, of a bond of 300*l.*, entered into by them to his Majesty's use for 10 drakes, and their carriages borrowed of the Lieutenant of the Ordnance, and lost at sea. [*Sign Man. Car. I*, *Vol.* xiii., *No.* 3.]

March 28. Westminster. Licence to George Rodolph Weckherlin for the exclusive privilege for 31 years of printing and putting to sale Catonis Disticha, Pub. Terentii Comediæ, and some other small Latin school books, to take effect after the expiration of a term of 21 years granted by King James to the Stationers' Company, with an addition of certain books not contained in the former privilege. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 4]

March 28. 49. Francis Nicolls, Sheriff of co. Northampton, to the Council. Reports his proceedings in obedience to letters respecting the markets, the price of corn, and the relief of the poor. Sends list of Justices of Peace for that county, with the several divisions in which they reside. *Incloses,*

49. I. *List of Justices above referred to.*

March 29. Westminster. Grant to John Kines, of the office of a gunner in the Tower of London, with the fee of 6*d.* per diem, in the place of John Redworth deceased. [*Sign Man. Car. I.*, *Vol.* xiii., *No.* 5.]

March 29. Westminster. 50. Justices of Peace for Westminster to the Council. White wheat is 12*s.* 4*d.* the bushel, red wheat 11*s.* 6*d.*; oatmeal 8*s.* On a survey of alehouses, they found 551, of which they suppressed 230, and licensed the remainder. All drinking cellars are suppressed. On deaths of persons of the contagion of the sickness, the searchers go with white wands in their hands, the red cross and the bill "Lord have mercie upon us" set apparent on the doors. With every such house there is a warder, and every day some of the Justices visit and examine to see them do their duty. They be so kept up 40 days, and in that time purge and cleanse their houses with lime and such like.

March 29. 51. Certificate of Justices of Peace for co. Somerset, of the quantity and prices of all sorts of grain, and the number of those that are buyers of corn within the hundreds of Catsash, Horethorne, Bruton, and Norton Ferris in co. Somerset; wheat 8*s.* 6*d.* per bushel; rye 7*s.*; oats 3*s.*

March 29. 52. Edward Viscount Conway to Foulke Reed. Has promised his sister Pelham to lend her his mother's picture in the parlour to take a copy of it. Is in great want of money. Begs him to send up as much of this lady-day's rents as is gotten in. Hopes Lord Coke's [?] rent is paid. He desires to be tenant to all the lordship. His aunt Huncks has said nothing to him as yet. Mrs. Wright desires to be settled there. [*Draft.*]

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March 29. London. 53. Philip Burlamachi to [Sec. Dorchester ?]. Capt. George Fleetwood, at his coming home from Denmark, had due to him 900*l.*, which was allowed to his father, Sir Miles, out of a sum which he had to pay Burlamachi, Capt. Fleetwood undertaking to give satisfaction to his officers. Explains the two sums of 50*l.*, and 89*l.* alleged by Sir Miles, with which Burlamachi has nothing to do, never having received either of them. *Incloses,*

53. I. *Statement by Julian Calandrini of the account of Capt. George Fleetwood and the manner of its discharge.*

March 30. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Henry Vane, Comptroller of the Household, 210*l.*, disbursed by him to Geritt Van Honthorst, in his last ambassage into the Low Countries, for a picture of the King and Queen of Bohemia and their children, by Honthorst, made and sent to King Charles. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xiii., *No.* 6.]

March 30. Westminster. Presentation of George Ashton, M.A., to the rectory of Hardwick, co. Buckingham, void by simony. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 7.]

March 30. Westminster. Grant to Thomas Parker, of the office of Master Carpenter of his Majesty's Works, in cos. Chester and Flint, with a fee of 6*d.* per diem, and a gown yearly. Lat. [*Ibid., No.* 8.]

March 30. 54. Sir Robert Ducie, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. Reports, as commanded, on the state of the river, the sickness, the price of corn, and concerning vagrants. Hopes this summer will shew a fair and free river; the infection has subsided; hopes for Irish corn and corn from the East Country; constables are looked after and fined if they do not apprehend vagrants.

March 30. Carleton, near Penrith. 55. Thomas Carleton to Sec. Dorchester. Wishes to know whether the Sec. thanked Lord President Wentworth for passing the writer over in respect of his fine, for not submitting to knighthood. New terrors come from York, that at the Lord President's return he will have a bout at all who escaped before his going up.

March 30. Somerly. 56. Herbert Dodington to Nicholas. If the writer's neighbour will sell his land he has promised the writer a particular. Recommends to Nicholas the bearer, Nicholas Gayne, who is willing to go to sea.

March 30. 57. Justices of Peace for Southwark to the Council. Return the number of alehouses in Southwark and Kentish Street. They give the numbers in every parish; the totals are, alehouses 228, of which the licences of 43 had been withdrawn. In the Newington side of Kentish Street there were 21 alehouses, unlicensed on account of the plague, which were deemed too many. Of vagrants 300 had been punished and passed within the last six months.

March 30. 58. Certificate of Sir Thomas Morton respecting the services of Capt. Charles Dawson, who lost his employment in the Netherlands,

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and served in the expedition to Cadiz, and so on until the end of all those services.

March 30. 59. Copy of the same.

March 30. 60. "Advis sur la prevention de la Peste; cautions necessaires "pour en empescher le progres; et soing qu'il faut avoir quand elle "est allumée." A report in French, presented by the King's direction to the Council, by Sir Theodore Mayerne, David Bethune, and Matthew Lister, the King's Physicians in ordinary. They give advice upon a variety of points of sanitary regulation, and especially recommend the institution of a Chamber or Office of Health, and the erection of four or five hospitals or pest-houses, one distinguished beyond the rest, to be established at Chelsea, near the College of Controversy, or towards Paddington, by the side of the stream which runs in that district.

March 31. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Philip Burlamachi 420*l.*, to be by him made over to Mons. Rusdorf and Mons. Maurice, Commissioners sent to his Majesty from the King of Bohemia, as the King's free gift. [*Sign Man. Car. I., Vol.* xiii., *No.* 9.]

March 31. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Thomas Roe 3,500*l.* for two pendant diamonds by him sold to the King. [*Ibid., No.* 10.]

March 31. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Walter Montagu 400*l.* for his charges in his journey into France on the King's service. [*Ibid., No.* 11.]

March 31. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir John Hippisley 1,000*l.*, with interest, at the rate of 8 per cent., from the 2nd inst., the said 1,000*l.* having been paid by him by way of loan into the Exchequer. [*Ibid., No.* 12.]

[March 31.] 61. Sir James Scott to the King. At the cashiering of the army on 13 Nov. 1628, the writer made his course known to his Majesty, who refused to make the two viscounts procured by the late Duke for the writer's losses abroad, but gave his royal word that Sir James's pay as colonel (20*s.* per diem) should be continued until he was otherwise provided for. He has rested ever since without receiving any thing. Prays that he may be reckoned with and paid up to the present time. *Underwritten,*

61. I. *Reference by the Council of War to their next sitting at which the Lord Treasurer or the Chancellor of the Exchequer shall be present. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 31.

March 31. 62. Attorney General Heath to the King. Report probably on the petition of Patrick Crawford and Mathew Birkenhead respecting new regulations for the granting of passes; (*See Vol.* clxxxvi., *No.* 15.) The Attorney General suggested additional restrictions, with the view of staying the passage of unlicensed persons.

March 31. Whitehall. 63. The Council to the Lords of the Admiralty. Find that, among other abuses, the using of nets, called trawls, is a principal

cause of the destruction of fish. The Lords of the Admiralty are to take order that no trawls at all be used from the Long Sand Head to Beachy Head. The Council are informed that the French, who have permission to fish upon this coast, abuse that favour by fishing contrary to their licence, and others of that nation, under colour of that permission, take liberty to fish at the Zowe. The Lords of the Admiralty are to take order that no French be permitted to fish on this coast, or otherwise than according to their licence.

March 31. Whitehall. 64. The Council to Theophilus Earl of Suffolk, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports. Similar letter.

March 31. 65. Officers of the Navy to the Lords of the Admiralty. Report the various services of Sir Francis Stewart, and recite the warrants under which he had been employed. State also that Capt. Pennington in a lesser ship than Sir Francis had 30*s.* per diem, and afterwards succeeding Sir Francis was allowed 40*s.* per diem. For 103 days Sir Francis should be paid 15*s.* per diem.

[March 31 ?] 66. Nicholas to the same. By their command sends an account of the sum due to Sir Francis Stewart, on the principle laid down by the Officers of the Navy in the preceding letter. [*Draft.*]

March 31. 67. Estimate for launching the Victory and the Vanguard at Woolwich, and the St. Dennis at Deptford, and for their transportation to Chatham: total 589*l.* 19*s.* 1*d.*

March 31. Whitehall. 68. Minutes of proceedings of the Committee of the Council of War. Among the petitions dealt with were those of Sir Piers Crosby, Peter Young, Colonel Robert Farrer, and Sir James Scott. [*Draft.*]

March 31. 69. Rough notes by William Boswell of the proceedings of the same Committee.

March 31. 70. Petition of a few several officers, having lost their places in the Low Countries, to the Council of War. Pray them to take notice of his Majesty's reference to them, and their 28 months delay since they were discharged. Also that on Rubber Down, before their going to Cadiz, the late Duke having mentioned to the King, on request of the officers who had come from the Low Countries, that they had acquit their fortunes to come into his Majesty's service, he engaged his royal promise that they should not only be satisfied with the like condition but that he would in a better and greater measure reward them. *Underwritten,*

70. I. *Order of the Council of War for the petitioners to make answer to Mr. Boswell on various points, principally affecting the point by whose order or at whose instance it was that they left the Low Countries. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 31.

March 31. 71. Draft of the reference upon the preceding petition.

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March 31. 72. Petition of Thomas Lowther to the Council of War. Capt. Richard Bond, slain in the Isle of Rhé, had due to him for his service 132*l.* 16*s.* Richard Bond, his son, took out letters of administration, and afterwards (being indebted to petitioner more than that amount for his support for three years together), assigned over his father's arrears to petitioner. Being in great distress petitioner prays that he may be paid if not all yet part of the money. *Underwritten,*

72. I. *Their Lordships are much offended with the petitioner that he rests not satisfied with their order of* 12 *Feb. last, to which he must conform himself without further importunity. Whitehall,* 1631, *March* 31.

March 31. Ordnance Office. 73. General account of receipts and deliveries of armours since the last general remain on the 13th May 1620.

March 31. 74. Note of what is necessary to balance the above account.

[March ?] 75. Warrant to Lord Treasurer Weston, Sir Francis Cottington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and to the Deputy of the Great Wardrobe. Sir Bevis Thelwall, Clerk of the said Wardrobe, is gone upon special occasions to the Isle of Wight. John Grymesdych is to join in giving acquittance with the Deputy of the Great Wardrobe, during the absence of Sir Bevis. [*Draft.*]

March. Westminster. 76. The King to [Commissioners appointed to settle the draining of a particular level]. Having written three letters to the Commissioners of Sewers of that level to effect the draining the fens of those parts, the King had found that the multitude of Commissioners preferred their little benefit before the general good, and did but perplex and hinder the work. He had therefore determined to begin with that part wherein he had the greatest right as immediate owner of the soil, and had made choice of them to be Commissioners for the same. The greatest part of this level upon a former commission had been presented by a jury as fit to be drained, and a tax of 10*s.* the acre had been laid by former Commissioners. The present Commissioners are directed to lay the same tax as before, that the undertakers may have such an equal bargain, by a proportion of the lands, if the tax assessed shall not be paid at a day to be appointed as shall give them fit encouragement. [*Copy.*]

[March.] 77. Petition of Alice Tayler, widow of Captain Nathaniel Tayler, to the King. Petitioner's husband served 23 years in Ireland and the Low Countries, whence he was called into the King's service, and the King stated him at 20*s.* per diem. Nevertheless Capt. Mason, then Treasurer of the Army, paid him but 10*s.* per diem. Prays an order for the remainder.

[March ?] 78. Petition of William Innes, Vicar of Dovercourt with Harwich, to the Council. Harwich might by some grave admonition from their Honours enjoy the fruit of their labours in a speedy re-establishment of peace, if the restless malice of [John] Peck, and of Osburne, the town clerk, did not hinder. Which Peck being gone

home, has persuaded the country that petitioner must be removed to another place. Prays the declaration of their noble pleasure concerning Peck and the repair of petitioner's damage.

[March ?] 79. Petition of William Innes, Vicar of Dovercourt with Harwich, to the Council. Their Honours having lately heard the misdemeanors of the gentlemen, and given directions to Sir William Beecher and Mr. Meantys for the examination of John Peck and Thomas Webb, who are the agents and prosecutors of the business to his Majesty against the petitioner, petitioner conceives the misdemeanors are fully proved, and therefore prays that he may have satisfaction without further suit.

[March ?] 80. Petition of Sir Thomas Burton, owner of most part of Frisby, co. Leicester, to the same. Frisby is a small village, never anciently consisting of above 10 or 12 houses. The Council has been certified of two yard land converted from arable to pasture, and that there is likely to be a depopulation. Petitioner has let the land with the houses, and the same shall so continue, and there shall be no depopulation. Only one poor house built of earth is fallen down.

[March ?] 81. Certificate of Sir John Skeffington to the same, in answer to their letter for laying open certain inclosed grounds of Sir Thomas Burton. Sir Thomas stated that if he could not satisfy the Council, he would speedily throw the lands open again. [*Underwritten is a minute of the preceding petition of Sir Thomas Burton.*]

[March ?] 82. Similar certificate of Sir John Skeffington, in reference to an inclosure by Montjoy, Earl of Newport.

[March ?] 83. Statement by Sir John Skeffington, of the conditions upon which the Earl of Newport's inclosure was effected.

[March ?] 84. Draft in the handwriting of Nicholas, of order of the Lords of the Admiralty for Sir William Withypoll and Andreas Clench, to stay proceedings against William Bardwell, until the Lords of the Admiralty have conferred with the judges thereon.

[March ?] 85. John Nicholas to his son Edward Nicholas. Letter for the most part of family details and country news. Mrs. Hancock is lately dead in Sarum, of the stone. Edward Nicholas's mother more at ease from bathing her face in the grounds of beer. Nicholas's sons are well at Dinton. Sir Robert Pye's mother was a Rogers and not a Bodenham. Dr. Alexander Hyde to marry Bishop Towlson's [Townson's] youngest daughter, the Bishop's jewel. The writer's cousin, Young, is thankful for Edward Nicholas's care of his young kinsman.

[March ?] 86. Petition of Henry Skipwith to the Council and Council of War. In consideration of his great want, petitioner was contented and so ordered by their Lordships to take from Julian Calandrini 10*l.*, for 13*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.*, to be paid the next day, which order Calandrini has broken, to petitioner's great prejudice. Prays a strict order for payment of the 13*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.*

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[March ?] 87. Petition of John Medley to "the Lords and Commissioners of the Ordnance." States the arrangement made with him on his appointment to the armoury, and prays that the same may be carried out. [*Nearly in the same terms as in his petition to the King of* 18 *March* 1631, *Vol.* 186, *No.* 112.]

[March ?] 88. Notes by Sec. Coke of accounts to be required from Nash, the Clerk, and Butler, the Surveyor, of the armoury, as to armours received into the office since the entry of Sir Thomas Jay, at Christmas 1628.

[March ?] 89. Account by Joshua Butler, of armours received into the armoury of the Tower since 1 Sept. 1629.

[March ?] 90. Account by John Cowper, of armours received since Sir Thomas Jay came to be master.

[March ?] 91. Justices of Peace for Devon to Henry Ashford, Sheriff of that county. Report the continuance of their diligence as to the price of corn in the division of Hayter, and the adjoining hundreds, expressed in their former certificate. The bushel of wheat of 12 gallons is now at 9*s*.

[March ?] 92. Justices of Peace for Suffolk to the Sheriff of the same county. Return for the liberty of St. Etheldred concerning the execution of the Books of Orders for corn, and the execution of the laws for relief of the poor. Wheat is at 8*s*. per bushel.

[March ?] 93. Petitions of allowances demanded in the Court of Wards, by Robert Barnard, Feodary of co. Huntingdon, for his expenses in exercising his office for five years ending at Michalmas 1629, with a continuation for the 6th year of the King's reign.

[March ?] 94. Note of declaration of Bishop Howson, of Durham, made before the Dean and Prebendaries respecting the complaints of Dr. Lindsell against the Dean, and other disagreements in that Cathedral. [*Indorsed by Bishop Laud, "My Lord of Durham's proceedings about service, &c."*]

[March ?] 95. Proposition to his Majesty for raising a competent sum for rebuilding St. Paul's church out of the fines for inclosures, and depopulation in cos. Lincoln, Leicester, and Northampton.

March. 96. Account of fees received in the Signet Office during the present month.

[March ?] 97. Richard Jolliff to the Council. Answer to complaint made against him by the Ambassador of France, that a ship of the French King being driven on the Isle of Wight, Jolliff caused some of the crew to be arrested, and extorted from them 40*l*. Jolliff denies the restraint, but admits the purchase, at 30*l*., of three pipes of wine sent ashore by the French captain in discharge of claims for salvage.

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